Community Development Block Grant/COVID (CDBG/CV)

Basic Needs RFP - Public Facilities and Services
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Use Chat Screen to enter questions.
- Q&As will be posted on website
- We cannot respond to project-specific questions
- All Questions (and associated answers) will be made available to all
OHCD/HRC has consulted with key stakeholder groups, State offices and the public in developing a plan for possible other general categories, including:

- **Housing**, designed to increase affordable housing opportunities/supply  
  Active Request for Proposal (estimated $3M) - Due March 3, 2021

- **Basic Needs (essential services and public facilities)**:  
  Active Request for Proposal (estimated $1.5-$2) - Due March 15, 2021

- Broadband (Shortly);
- Homeless Response - Quarantine/Isolation support and winter/shelter expansion (underway);
- Landlord Incentives (likely part of Basic Needs RFP);
- Mortgage/Homeowner Assistance;
- Business Assistance (Microenterprise Underway/Expansion Under Consideration)

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Eligible Applicants

- Municipalities (with or without subrecipients)
- Non-profits

Note: Regulatory minimum allocation to non-entitlement areas

Note: Entitlements (Cranston, East Providence, Pawtucket, Providence, Warwick, Woonsocket)

Applications transmitted electronically to Kimberly Crabill by due date/time

- Factor time necessary to transmit and any unanticipated technical difficulties

Application forms pared down CDBG/BHRI (available on website/contact KC)

Cast wide net for distribution - Posted on web (RIH & OHCD).
CDBG - Required Components

- Fundability
  - Eligibility (RFP for Affordable Housing, Public facilities and Essential Services)
  - National Objective (LMH, LMC, LMA - UN)
- **Coronavirus/COVID Related**
  - Prevent, Prepare for or Respond to crisis
- Examples
  - Housing - Increasing supply of affordable units available;
  - Service - Meet COVID specific needs (food security) for a vulnerable population;
  - Facility - Renovations necessary to enable social distancing
- Maintain Data
CDBG Eligibility

- Statute and Regulations
  - Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 USC 5201 et seq)
  - CDBG Regulations (24 CFR Part 570)
  - HUD Guide - Guide to National Objectives and Eligible Activities for CDBG Entitlement Communities - HUD Exchange
- Common Eligible Activities:
  - Acquisition of Real Property 105a1
  - Public Services 105a8**
  - Public Facilities 105a2**
  - Clearance/Rehabilitation/Reconstruction of Buildings - New/Preservation 105a4
  - Activities Carried out by Non-Profit Development Organizations (105a15)
    - Note - New Construction Generally Ineligible (exceptions)
CDBG National Objective

- **Low- and Moderate- Income Benefit**
  - Limited Clientele
    - Income Requirements for participants
    - Area Benefit
      - Presumed - Elderly, Homeless, Victims of Domestic Violence
  - Housing
    - 51% of units in each assisted structure will be occupied by low/moderate income (LMI) households
    - LMI is defined at 80% or below AMI, based upon family size (Section 8 Income Limit)
    - “Household” is all persons living in a residential unit
    - Note this is based on “household” not “person/family”

- **Slums and Blight**

- **Urgent Need**
CDBG - Required Components

- Fundability
  - Eligibility (RFP for Affordable Housing only - Public facilities under Basic Needs RFP)
- National Objective
- Coronavirus/COVID Related
  - Prevent, Prepare for or Respond to crisis
- Area Served (As much detail as possible)
  - City/Town
  - County
  - Statewide
Other Requirements

- Environmental Review
  - State will complete HUD required review for non-profit (directly funded)
  - Municipalities will complete review for themselves/non-profit (subrecipients)
  - Choice Limiting Actions Prohibited! (CDBG and non-CDBG sources)

- Citizens Participation
  - State will complete public notice/citizens participation requirements for supported activities

- Labor Standards
  - Davis Bacon & Related (8 or more unit on project assisted - in whole or in part)

- Eminent Domain (not permitted) & Relocation (detail if needed)

- ***Duplication of Benefits***
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