Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) Program Overview



The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act has appropriated \$5 billion in Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funding nationwide to assist low-income families and most vulnerable citizens. The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has allocated \$3 billion of the \$5 billion appropriated by Congress.

CDBG-CV Program Requirements

Program Requirements:

- Eligible Activities: Acquisition; Public Improvements; Public Facilities; Business Assistance;
 Microenterprise Assistance; Public Services; Planning; and Broadband Planning and Public Infrastructure.
- COVID-19 Tie: Under the CARES Act, funding is available through the Community
 Development Block Grant Program for activities which prevent, prepare for, and respond to the
 coronavirus pandemic.
- **National Objective:** Each activity funded by CDBG must meet one of the following HUD required National Objectives:
 - o Provide benefit to low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons.
 - Prevent or eliminate slum or blight conditions.
 - Address urgent community development needs, which pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community for which other funding is not available.

Florida's Total Allocation - \$285.6 million

- HUD Allocated Directly to Entitlement Communities \$185.6 million
 - HUD provided funding directly to entitlement communities to administer in Rounds 1 and 3 allocations. These funds will be administered locally without DEO's oversight.
- HUD Allocated to DEO to Administer \$100 million
 - DEO Administration Funds \$5 million
 - DEO Training and Technical Assistance Funds \$2 million
 - Entitlement Community Program \$51 million
 - o Small Cities (Non-Entitlement) Community Program Nearly \$42 million

CDBG-CV Entitlement Community Program: \$51 Million

The CDBG-CV Entitlement program will be funded through an allocation received from HUD for a total amount of available funding of \$51,050,910. Funds will be awarded for eligible activities following a needs and capacity review for eligible activities approved by DEO, up to the amount of the entitlement community's allocation. View the <u>CARES Act CDBG-CV Round 2 Allocation Methodology for Florida Communities</u> for a list of allocations.

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Eligible Applicants:

• Eligible applicants include HUD entitlement communities that are encouraged to coordinate with local governments and subrecipient agencies within their jurisdiction.

Ineligible Applicants:

- Counties population in unincorporated area less than 200,000.
- Cities population less than 50,000.
- No special entitlement status.
- Small communities that opt to participate in an Entitlement Program.

View the CDBG-CV Entitlement Program Eligible Communities List for a list of eligible communities.

CDBG-CV Entitlement Program Timeline

- Notice of Funding Availability Published: December 18, 2020
- Pre-Application Webinar: January 27, 2021
- Pre-Application Cycle Opens: February 1, 2021
- Final Application Cycle: Spring/Summer 2021
- Final Application Reviews: Summer/Fall 2021
- Contract Execution: Summer/Fall 2021

Pre-Application Winter 2021

- Describe Projects to be Undertaken
- Identify National Objective and Eligible Activity
- Explain relation to COVID-19

Capacity Review Spring 2021

- DEO conducts
 Capacity Review
- Entitlement conducts
 Environmental Review
- Entitlement conducts required public hearings

Application Spring/Summer 2021

- Detailed project explanation
- Detailed project budget
- Documentation of public hearings
- Environmental Review documentation

Award/Contract Negotiations

Summer/Fall 2021

- DEO application approval
- Execute contract with DEO
- Begin CDBG-CV activities

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CDBG-CV Small Cities Community Program: Nearly \$42 Million

The CDBG-CV Small Cities program will be funded through three rounds of funds received from HUD for a total amount of available funding of \$41,931,595. Funds will be awarded for eligible activities following a competitive application process. Applicants may submit one (1) application for one (1) activity.

- Grant Request Minimum = \$200,000
- Grant Request Maximum = \$5 million

Eligible Applicants:

- Counties population in unincorporated area less than 200,000.
- Cities population less than 50,000.
- No special entitlement status or have officially opted out of the entitlement program.

View the CDBG-CV Small Cities Program Eligible Communities List for a list of eligible communities.

CDBG-CV Small Cities Program Timeline

Notice of Funding Availability Published: December 18, 2020

- Pre-Application Webinar: January 26, 2021
- Pre-Application Cycle: February 1 March 15, 2021
- Pre-Application Submission Deadline: 5 p.m., Eastern Time, on March 15, 2021
- Final Application Cycle: Spring/Summer 2021

Pre-Application

Winter 2021

- Describe Community Need.
- Identify National Objective and Eligible Activity.
- Explain relationship to COVID.
- Jurisdiction conducts 1st required public hearing.

Technical Assistance

Spring 2021

- DEO conducts Capacity Review.
- Local government conducts Environmental Review.
- Jurisdiction conducts 2nd required public hearing.

Application

Spring/Summer 2021

- · Detailed project explanation.
- Detailed project budget.
- · Activity readiness.
- · COVID relationship.
- · Explanation of Need.
- · DEO reviews applications.

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