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:
  - 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
  - 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 [CARES Act CDBG-CV Round 2 Allocation Methodology for Florida Communities](#) for a list of allocations.
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
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