

CDBG-NR

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION

- Federal funds awarded to the State through US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)*
- Administered by North Carolina Department of Commerce Rural Economic Development Division (REDD)

*Designated Urban Counties and Entitlement Communities, including City of Asheville, receive direct allocations from HUD.



FUNDING & ELIGIBILITY

- **\$10 million** = Funds available across North Carolina
- \$750,000 = Maximum Award Amount (No Minimum)
- **30 Months** = Project Period
- Eligible Applicants = Non-Entitlement Communities (incorporated municipalities under 50,000 persons and counties under 200,000 persons)
- Eligible Use Area = Outside the City of Asheville
- **Application =** Competitive
- October 14, 2021 = Application Deadline





STATE REDD LIVABILITY PRINCIPLES

- Activities that:
 - Promote equitable, affordable housing;
 - Support existing communities; and/or
 - Value communities and neighborhoods.

NATIONAL OBJECTIVES

- Activities that:
 - Benefit low-and-moderate income (LMI) persons; and/or
 - Prevent or eliminate slums or blight.





ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- **Community Revitalization:** Production of community infrastructure and public improvements, often in the form of pedestrian paths, bike paths, parks, playgrounds, greenways, and flood and drainage improvements.
- Housing Rehabilitation: Repair or replacement work focused on lowincome homeowners. Homes must be brought up to HUD and REDD standards, and comply with lead-based paint requirements. Rehabilitation is more extensive than traditional emergency repair work and can extend to full home replacement.





ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- Scattered-Site Housing: Housing production or substantial repair not tied to a specific geographic area but to low-income populations.
- Housing Development: Supports infrastructure for housing developments that result in the creation of single-family homeownership or multifamily rentals for low-income households. Funding cannot exceed \$50,000 per home or \$25,000 per rental unit.





ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- **Public Facilities:** Supports places open to the public that offer services traditionally provided by the government or a nonprofit. This can include design or efficiency improvements to existing facilities and the creation or improvement of shelters or recreational facilities.
- Water and Sewer Connections to Existing Housing: Can be used to extend existing water and sewer infrastructure to low-income and moderate-income owned properties. Manufactured homes are eligible.





OTHER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Activities must meet HUD regulations for eligibility
- May not include ineligible activities
- Administrative costs are limited to 10% of the award total
- No matching funds are required
- Subject to Code of Federal Regulations, including subrecipient compliance
- Direct (project-based) activities must benefit 100% low-income and moderate income (LMI) persons
- Area-wide benefits (community-based, like infrastructure and public facilities) must benefit at least 51% low-income and moderate income (LMI) persons





PROPOSED APPLICATION SCHEDULE

- July 19: Notice of application opening
- September 7: Public hearing on project design
- October 5: Public hearing on application/approval of application
- October 14: Application due
- December 10: Award notification anticipated
- January 4: Implementation to begin, including budget amendment





CDBG CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN

- Requires Board approval
- Outlines mechanisms for public involvement in County CDBG-NR grants, including:
 - Public hearings
 - Individual comment, complaint or inquiry
 - Participation on advisory committee, if formed
- Describes how public information is distributed and maintained for public inspection





REQUESTED BOARD ACTION

- Adopt the Resolution to Approve CDBG-NR Citizen Participation Plan
- Hold the public hearing



