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

• **$20.8 million** = Funds available across North Carolina
• **$950,000** = 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
• **September 30, 2022** = Application Deadline
RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
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

• **Housing Rehabilitation**: Repair or replacement work focused on low-income homeowners. Homes must be brought up to HUD and Rural Economic Development Division standards and comply with lead-based paint requirements. Rehabilitation is more extensive than traditional emergency repair work and can extend to full home replacement.

• **Scattered-Site Housing**: Housing production or substantial repair not tied to a specific geographic area but to low-income populations.
ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

• **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 $75,000 per home or $30,000 per rental unit.

• **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.
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

• 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
• Activities must meet HUD regulations for eligibility
• Subject to Code of Federal Regulations, including subrecipient compliance
• Administrative costs are limited to 10% of the award total
• Matching funds not required
• County’s commitments to affordable housing investment will strengthen the application
PROPOSED APPLICATION SCHEDULE

• August 1: Notice of application opening
• August 16: Public hearing on Citizen Participation Plan approval
• September 20: Public hearing on application/approval of application
• September 30: Application due

• November 2022: Award notification anticipated
• December 2022: Contract with Rural Economic Development Division
• January 2023: Implementation to begin (budget amendment, RFP, etc.)
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 the Updated CDBG-NR Citizen Participation Plan
• Hold the public hearing