

## 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

