

Department of Administration Community Development Block Grants

CDBG FUNDS ARE USED TO PROMOTE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, SUITABLE LIVING ENVIRONMENTS, AND EXPANDED ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH LOW TO MODERATE INCOME.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides federal funding to States through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. In turn, states provide CDBG funds to local governments to support their Housing, Community and Economic development activities. In Wisconsin, the program is administered by the Department of Administration (DOA).

DOA handles all CDBG application and contract management activities including the disbursement of grant funds.

The Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation will continue its extensive community and economic development and networking outreach, while DOA will provide financial management and federal reporting expertise for CDBG projects.

The State of Wisconsin offers several Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) tools that can benefit your community. We offer CDBG funding for:

- ✓ Planning
- ✓ Economic Development
- ✓ Public Facilities
- ✓ Public Facility-Economic Development
- ✓ Affordable Housing
- ✓ Emergency Assistance

CDBG Planning Funds

These grant funds support community efforts to improve community vitality by addressing slum and blight and/or address issues that will improve the well-being of low and moderate income individuals. Grants are limited to projects that, if implemented, would meet a CDBG national objective.

- **How to apply:** annual competitive process. Local units of government can locate materials at our website: <http://doa.state.wi.us/Divisions/Housing/Bureau-of-Community-Development>
- **Review process:** DOA anticipates a 45 day review time period of applications. Community grant administrators will be required to attend implementation training.

CDBG Economic Development Funds (CDBG-ED)

Grant funds are awarded to local governments to assist businesses to create or retain jobs for individuals with low and moderate income. Examples of eligible projects include business loans to expand facilities or purchase equipment, specialized employee training, or business infrastructure projects.

- **How to apply:** application process is continuous. Materials are located on our website: <http://doa.state.wi.us/Divisions/Housing/Bureau-of-Community-Development>
- **Review process:** DOA anticipates a 60 day review time period of applications. Community grant administrators will be required to attend implementation training.

CDBG Public Facility Funds (CDBG-PF)

These funds help support infrastructure and facility projects for communities. Some examples of eligible projects include streets, drainage systems, water and sewer systems, sidewalks, and community centers.

- **How to apply:** annual competitive process. Application materials and submission instructions are located at <http://doa.state.wi.us/Divisions/Housing/Bureau-of-Community-Development>
- **Review process:** DOA anticipates a 45 day review time period. Successful applications will receive an award letter which will document the steps required to execute a contract. Community grant administrators will be required to attend implementation training.

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CDBG Public Facility - Economic Development (CDBG-PFED) Funds

Grant funds are awarded to local governments for public infrastructure projects that support business expansion or retention. Examples of eligible applications include new or improved water and sewer service and streets that result in business expansion and job opportunities for low- and moderate-income individuals.

- **How to apply:** application process is continuous. Materials are under development and when completed will be located at:
<http://doa.state.wi.us/Divisions/Housing/Bureau-of-Community-Development>
- **Review process:** DOA anticipates a 60 day review time period of applications. Community grant administrators will be required to attend implementation training.

CDBG Affordable Housing Funds

These grant funds help communities improve and expand the supply of affordable housing for low- and moderate-income families. Eligible activities include housing rehab, homeownership assistance, and acquisition, demolition, or site improvements for construction of affordable housing.

- **How to apply:** annual grant with priority given to applications from regions with a lead county agency. Local units can locate materials at our website:
<http://doa.state.wi.us/Divisions/Housing>
- **Review process:** DOA anticipates a 60 day review time period of applications. Successful applicants will be required to attend implementation training.

CDBG Emergency Assistance Program (EAP) Funds

This grant fund program assists communities recover from a recent natural or manmade disaster. Eligible activities include repair of disaster related damage to dwellings, assistance to purchase replacement dwellings, and repair and restoration of public infrastructure and facilities.

- **How to apply:** applications accepted from community within 90 days of the disaster event. Application materials are available at
<http://doa.state.wi.us/Divisions/Housing>
- **Review process:** DOA anticipates not more than a 15 day review time period for preliminary approval of applications. Grantees will receive implementation training and technical assistance throughout the grant performance period.

Contact Us

If you have questions about the CDBG program, please contact the DOA Division of Housing at (608)266-7531 or DOADOHCDBGCD@wisconsin.gov

