

Calumet County Public Hearing

CDBG – CV Program Application

February 18, 2021, 1:00pm

Public Hearing Agenda

- Eligible CDBG activities
- Identification of total potential funds
- Presentation of identified community development needs
- Identification of any community development needs by public
- Presentation of activities proposed for CDBG application, including potential residential displacement.
- Citizen input regarding proposed and other CDBG activities

Eligible CDBG Activities

Broadly, the Community Development Block Grant program exists to provide support for low- to moderate income people and businesses, and to eliminate slum and blight. Specific programs include:

- CDBG Public Facilities
- CDBG Planning
- CDBG Economic Development and RLF
- CDBG Housing
- CDBG Coronavirus

CDBG-CV Program

- The State submitted to HUD a Substantial Amendment to the State's Comprehensive Plan to create the CDBG CV Program (CDBG-CV) which HUD has approved.
- Division of Energy, Housing and Community Resources(DEHCR) developed and obtained approval of a method of distribution of CDBG CV funds.
- On 8/20/20, HUD published the Federal Register containing program rules, waivers and regulations as well as program guidance on eligible activities and national objective compliance.

Available Funding

- Non-entitlement funding will be distributed within Regions based on non-entitlement population within the regions. CDBG Housing Regions are used as the regions. Applications within each region will compete against the other applications generated from within their region. If a region lacks enough applications to utilize all the funds within a region, the remaining funds will be transferred to meet the needs of other regions.
- Entitlement communities will be awarded a set amount of funds based on the percentage of funding the entitlements and State Small Cities program received in Round One.

Available Funding

- Northwest Region \$1,077,501
- Northwoods Region \$1,449,662
- West Central Region \$2,923,723
- Central Region \$2,819,671
- **Northeast Region \$4,866,697**
- Southwest Region \$2,512,108
- Southern Region \$6,121,055

Use of CDBG-CV Funds

- Any proposed use of CDBG CV funds must *prepare for, prevent, or respond to coronavirus*. All proposed programs and projects must directly prepare for, prevent, or respond to coronavirus.
- All proposed programs and projects must meet a CDBG National Objective, being, Low to Moderate Income (LMI) Benefit or Urgent Local Need (ULN).

Example Projects/Programs

- Example Project/Program Types:
 - Renter Assistance/Emergency Payments for up to six months.
 - Business Assistance Grants
 - Micro-Enterprise Business Assistance Grants
 - Food Bank/Pantry, expansion, restocking, establishment
 - PPE Purchases
 - Transitional Housing
 - Childcare/Daycare Centers
 - Homeless Shelters
 - Senior Centers
 - Drug Abuse Programs
 - Isolation Centers
 - Temporary Housing
 - Provide in-home services such as meal/grocery delivery, medicine, to quarantined individuals
 - Assistance to communities to address LMI student needs to access online classes

Community Development Needs

- Identification of needs suggested by the public:

CDBG CV project

- CDBG funds cannot be used to displace people from any housing. This grant project does not displace any people.

Proposed Grant Activity

- Create a Microenterprise Resiliency Fund to provide grants to microbusinesses negatively impacted by COVID-19
- WWBIC is community partner to implement the grant program and provide technical assistance
- Service area includes all of Calumet and Outagamie Counties except Appleton, City of Menasha, and Village of Fox Crossing

Public Input

- Identification of comments suggested by the public about the application: