Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)



Application Workshop | January 10, 2024 | 10:00 am



City Manager's Office, Grants Division

Agenda

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- 4. 2024-25 Grant Schedule
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Introductions – Avant Garde





Introductions – Moreno Valley





Workshop Goals

- 1. Applicants understand the grant requirements.
- 2. Applicants know how to navigate the application packet.
- 3.Understand the award process.



2024-2025 Schedule

| Preliminary Dates | Key Dates |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Weds., Jan. 31, 2024 at 3:00pm | CDBG Applications due |
| Tues., Mar. 26, 2024 at 3:45 pm | Public Meeting 2: Open Technical Review Committee during Finance Subcommittee Meeting |
| Tues., Apr. 16, 2024 at 6:00 pm | Public Hearing 2: City Council to Review Project Recommendations as issued by the Finance Subcommittee |
| Tues., May 07, 2024 at 6:00 pm | Public Hearing 3: City Council to Approve Annual Action Plan |
| Tues., May 14, 2024 | Submittal of 2024-25 Action Plan to HUD |
| July 1, 2024 | Start of the new Fiscal Year 2024-25 |



Estimated Funding

| 2024-25 CDBG Anticipated Allocation | Amount | |
|---|-------------|--|
| Planning and Administration (City) – 20% of annual allocation | \$395,800 | |
| Public Services – 15% of annual allocation | \$296,850 | |
| Available for Other Activities – 65% | \$1,286,350 | |
| Total Anticipated Allocation | \$1,979,000 | |



Eligible Activities

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CDBG funds may be used for activities which include, but are not limited to:

- Acquisition of real property.
- Clearance and demolition of hazardous land and buildings.
- Rehabilitation of residential and non-residential structures.
- Construction of public facilities and improvements, such as water and sewer facilities, streets, neighborhood centers, and the conversion of school buildings for eligible purposes.



Eligible Activities - cont.

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- Public services.
- Activities relating to energy conservation and renewable energy resources.
- Provision of assistance to profit-motivated businesses to carry out economic development and job creation/retention activities or other economic development activities.



Eligible Activities: Public Services

- Public services activities generally include:
 - Crime prevention/public safety, homeless services, recreation and youth programs, senior services and other specialized counseling.
- Public service programs must be a new service or an increase in the existing level of services.
 - Typically, no duplication to same individual during the program year.



Eligible Activities: Economic Development

- Economic development activities include endeavors aimed at increasing or maintaining the level of business activity in the City.
- Activities typically must create/retain permanent jobs or provide area services of which at least 51% must be made available to low- tomoderate income persons.



CDBG Objectives

All CDBG activities must qualify as meeting one or more of the following three National Objectives:

Objective #1 Activities Benefiting Low- to-Moderate income Persons and/or Households.

Objective #2 Activities Which Aid in the Prevention or Elimination of Slums or Blight.

Objective #3 Activities Designed to Meet Community Development Needs Having a Particular Urgency.



Program Beneficiaries

- City's Grant Programs must Low-to-Moderate Income (LMI) persons.
- The definition of a low-to-moderate income person or household is one having an income equal to or less than the lower income limits established by HUD.



HUD Low-Mod Income Limits

| Family Size | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Extremely Low (30%) | \$19,600 | \$22,400 | \$25,200 | \$27,950 | \$30,200 | \$32,450 | \$34,700 | \$36,900 |
| Very Low Income (50%) | \$32,650 | \$37,300 | \$41,950 | \$46,600 | \$50,350 | \$54,100 | \$57,800 | \$61,550 |
| Low-Mod Income (80%) | \$52,200 | \$59,650 | \$67,100 | \$74,550 | \$80,550 | \$86,500 | \$92,450 | \$98,450 |



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Meeting National Objective 1

National Objective 1 can be met by providing:

- Direct Benefit Activities Benefit clientele where at least 51% are qualified low-mod income.
- Area Benefit Activities Benefit to areas designated at least 51% low-mod based on the HUD CDBG Census Tract Map.



Direct Benefit Activities

Direct Benefit Activities include (page 4-5 of application):
 OPublic Services Activities
 OEconomic Development Activities
 OEnergy Efficiency Improvements

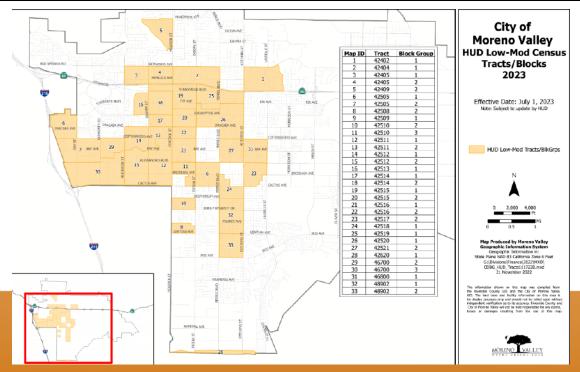


Area Benefit Activities

- Area Benefit Activities include Public Improvements (e.g., street rehab).
- At least 51% of area residents must be LMI.
- HUD Census Tracts/Block map identifies these LMI areas (on next slide).
- Area served must be primarily residential.



HUD Low-Mod Census Tracts





2023 HUD Low-Mod Tracts (Page 9 of application)

City's Objectives & Policies

- Public Service Priority Ranking (Page 13 of application).
- Ranking based on community input and reports.
- Final awards are made by the City Council based on identified priorities, application submission, consideration of past performance (for returning applicants).



Grant Policies

- Funding priority for local service providers and prior funded programs.
- Three (3) years of successful grant management experience preferred.
- Minimum CDBG Grant is \$15,000.



Evaluation Criteria

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- Administration Capacity 20 points
- Identification/Analysis of Local Needs 10 points
- Program Design 10 points
- Reasonable Budget 10 points
- Technical Quality of Application 5 points
- Collaboration (5 bonus points)



Evaluation Process

- Initial Review for completeness & eligibility.
- Technical Review Committee scoring based on Evaluation Criteria.
- Finance Subcommittee Review and Recommendation.
- Final Reviews and Selections by City Council.



Application Tips

- Research and review the grant and the applicable requirements.
- Be familiar with the City objectives and policies.
- Develop a realistic work plan for the grant with performance goals that are tangible and achievable.
- Proposed budget Are the proposed costs realistic and allowable for the grant and program purpose?
- Clearly answer the questions and provide all requested documentation.



Application Tips – cont.

- CDBG Application Form Exhibit B (page 30)
- All Required Attachments per Section II of the application (page 33)
- Signature page (digital and wet signatures)
- Any additional information to support the application



Application Tips: Deadline

Applications available Via OpenGov

The Deadline is Wednesday January 31, 2024, 3:00 p.m.

CDBG:

https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/morenovalley/ /projects/70050



Grant Award Process*

Award Notification

- Anticipated Time: June July
- The City sends award letters notifying organizations of award. An acceptance letter is also sent requesting a response from the organization.

Agreement from HUD

- Anticipated Time: 2-4 months
- Upon obtaining a formal agreement from HUD, the City staff will process the contract for approval and signature by the City Manager and City Attorney.

Agreement Processing & Legal Review

- Anticipated Time: 2 Weeks
- The City Attorney's office reviews and approves all subrecipient agreements. Upon approval, the agreements are prepared and routed for subrecipients to provide review/comments.



*Process is subject to change. Delays in processing by HUD may cause additional delays in processing subrecipient awards and agreements.

Grant Award Process*

Agreements Executed

- Anticipated Time: 1-2 weeks
- After all comments are received and addressed the final agreements are routed for internal City signatures. Once an agreement is fully executed, the subrecipient will receive a copy of the agreement and Notice to Proceed.

Finance Review

- Anticipated Time: 4 weeks
- The Grants Division enters the agreement and all supporting documentation into the City's Financial Operations System and a Purchase Order is created for each subrecipient.

Invoice Review

- Anticipated Time: 2 weeks
- Subrecipients are expected to submit monthly invoices to the City on the 15th of each month for review. City Staff/Consultants will review invoices for completeness, compliance, and review program deliverables via a statistical report.



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Grant Award Process*

Invoice Submittal

Anticipated Time: 1-2 weeks
After invoices have been reviewed and approved the Grants Division will submit the invoices to Accounts Payable to initiate the internal approval process.

Payment Authorization

- •Anticipated Time: 1-2 weeks
- •Once the invoices have obtained the necessary approvals, Accounts Payable will then issue the check to subrecipients. All payments are sent as an ACH.



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Resources: Federal Regulations

Subrecipients will be held to Federal Grant Regulation Standards for:

CDBG Title 24 CFR Part 570

Must have staff who can study, understand, and comply with the complexities of the Regulations.

https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-24/subtitle-B/chapter-V/subchapter-C/part-570



Resources: Federal Regulations

Title 2 CFR 200

UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS

Labor Standards Record Keeping Conflicts of Interest Internal Controls Purchasing Anti-Discrimination

Applies to all HUD grants and can be found at: https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title02/2cfr200_main_02.tpl



Questions & Answers?

For Additional Technical Assistance on the Application, contact: Grants Division, 951.413.3450, grantadmin@moval.org

