



State of Wisconsin Department of Administration COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM INFORMATION

CDBG Overview

Community Development Block Grant ([CDBG](#)) funds are used to promote affordable housing, suitable living environments, and expanded economic opportunities for individuals with a low to moderate income. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) provides federal funding to States through the 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](#)) Division of Energy, Housing and Community Resources ([DEHCR](#)). DOA handles all CDBG application and contract management activities, including the disbursement of grant funds.

The State of Wisconsin offers multiple CDBG programs that can benefit communities. CDBG funding is available for affordable housing, economic development, emergency assistances, community planning, public facilities, and public facilities for economic development, as summarized within this document and on the [DEHCR Community Resources website](#).

CDBG Economic Development (CDBG-ED)

Grant funds are awarded to local governments to assist businesses in creating or retaining jobs for individuals with a low- and moderate-income (LMI) status. Examples of eligible projects include forgivable loans to businesses to expand facilities, purchase equipment, provide specialized employee training, pay operational costs, or improve infrastructure that enable the creation or retention of jobs held by individuals with an LMI status.

- **How to apply:** The application process is continuous. Application materials are on the [CDBG-ED Program website](#).
- **Review process:** A 60-day review of applications is anticipated.

CDBG Emergency Assistance Program (CDBG-EAP)

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:** Interested applicants must submit a notice of intent to apply for financial assistance within 90 days of the disaster event. Access application materials on the [CDBG-EAP website](#).
- **Review process:** Not more than a 15-day review for preliminary approval of applications is anticipated.

CDBG Housing (CDBG-HSG)

These grant funds help communities improve and expand the supply of affordable housing for families with a low-to moderate-income (LMI) status through zero-interest, deferred loans. Eligible activities include housing rehab and homeownership assistance.

- **How to apply:** Grant funds are awarded to seven housing regions across the state on a bi-annual basis, which administer the programs and distribute the grant funds at the local level. Further information is available on the [CDBG-HSG website](#).
- **Review process:** A 90-day review of applications is anticipated.

CDBG Planning (CDBG-PLNG)

These grant funds support community efforts to improve local 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:** The application process is continuous. Access application materials on the [CDBG-PLNG Program website](#).
- **Review process:** A 45-day review of applications is anticipated.

CDBG Public Facilities (CDBG-PF)

These funds help support infrastructure and facility projects for communities. Some examples of eligible projects include improvements to streets, drainage systems, water and sewer systems, and sidewalks, and the construction or renovation of community centers, senior centers and fire stations.

- **How to apply:** Annual **competitive** process. Access application materials on the [CDBG Public Facilities Program website](#).
- **Review process:** A 90-day review of applications is anticipated.

CDBG Public Facilities for Economic Development (CDBG-PFED)

Grant funds are awarded to local governments for public infrastructure projects that support business expansion, which enables the creation or retention of jobs for individuals with a low- to moderate-income (LMI) status. Examples of eligible applications include new or improved water and sewer services and street infrastructure improvements that result in business expansion and job opportunities for individuals with an LMI status.

- **How to apply:** The application process is continuous. Access application materials on the [CDBG-PFED Program website](#).
- **Review process:** A 60-day review of applications is anticipated.

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