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Title:

Urgent Local Need CDBG Grants

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Description:

Clarification on the application process for Community Development Block Grant Urgent Local Need (CDBG-ULN) projects.

Purpose:

To ensure applicants are noticed of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations for use of funds under this national objective category.

Policy:

The Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended requires that activities assisted with CDBG funds meet one of three objectives and be utilized primarily for the benefit of low-to moderate-income persons.

HUD's regulation found at 24 CFR 570.483(d) and policy guidance in meeting a national objective states that to qualify for under the Urgent Local Need Objective the project activity must meet all of the following:

1. Alleviate conditions which pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community.
2. The need is of recent origin, within 18 months of the application and award of funds.
3. The unit of general local government is unable to finance the activity on its own.
4. Other sources of funds are not available.

Additionally, HUD's guide to "Meeting a National Objective" states planning grants are not allowed under this objective and activities designated solely to prevent a threat will not qualify.

Applications received by the Division for CDBG-ULN must meet the criteria above to be considered for funding for urgent local need.