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# Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

*2025 Application Approval*

# CDBG Background

Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development

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State Department of Housing and Community Development

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Local Jurisdictions

- Funds are released annually through a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA).
- The primary federal objective of the CDBG program is the development of viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and through expanding economic opportunities, principally, for persons of low- and moderate-income.
- “Persons of low and moderate income” are defined as families, households, and individuals whose incomes do not exceed 80 percent of the county median income, adjusted for family or household size.

# Current Income Limits

<b>Persons in Household</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Extremely Low 30%</b>	\$19,750	\$22,550	\$25,350	\$28,150	\$30,450	\$32,700	\$34,950	\$37,200
<b>Low 50%</b>	\$32,900	\$37,600	\$42,300	\$46,950	\$50,750	\$54,500	\$58,250	\$62,000
<b>60% Limit</b>	\$39,480	\$45,120	\$50,760	\$56,340	\$60,900	\$65,400	\$69,900	\$74,400
<b>Moderate 80%</b>	\$52,600	\$60,100	\$67,600	\$75,100	\$81,150	\$87,150	\$93,150	\$99,150

# CDBG Requirements:

## National Objectives

- All CDBG activities must meet one of the following National Objectives:
- (1) benefit low- and moderate-income persons;
- (2) aid in the prevention or elimination of slums and blight; or
- (3) meet certain urgent community needs.
- Depending on the type of project or program, benefit can be provided directly to low-moderate-income persons, or to a predominantly low-moderate income area

## Matrix Codes

- Matrix Codes are assigned to different types of activities, and are used to determine what type of National Objective an activity can meet.

# Program Income

- Program Income (PI), loan funds that have been repaid to the City, may be added to an application to increase the maximum, if available and desired.
- The City's current Program Income cash on hand and future receipts up to the total amount of \$570,000 is encumbered for a Business Assistance Loan Program, which is in the project initiation phase. Thus, no Program Income is available to add to a 2025 application.

# 2025 Application

- The 2025 NOFA was released on September 30, 2025, and amended December 15, 2025.
- The application portal will open February 2, 2026, and close April 3, 2026.
- All applications will be scored and ranked. Timestamp will be used as a tiebreaker.
- Planning Related to Another Activity
  - Planning projects related to another activity must result in fulfilment of the related National Objective in order to meet CDBG requirements and CDBG must not be the sole source of funding.

# Proposed 2025 Application

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Activity Costs</b>	<b>GA Costs</b>	<b>Total</b>
City-Wide Sidewalk Rehabilitation	\$3,084,112	\$215,888	\$3,300,000
Coastal Marine Debris Interception Project Design Phase II Planning	\$280,374	\$19,626	\$300,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,364,486</b>	<b>\$235,514</b>	<b>\$3,600,000</b>

# 2025 NOFA Timeline (Subject to Change)

- February 2, 2026: Application Portal Opens (Application submissions)
- April 3, 2026: Application Portal Closes
- September 2026: Award Notification
- October 31, 2026, or later: Executed Contracts
- Late 2026 through mid-2029: Expenditure Period, if awarded