

CDBG Eligible Activity

Code Enforcement

These funds are used to support three Code Enforcement positions that provide code enforcement in deteriorated areas designated as CDBG eligible. The City allocates additional local resources in support of other code enforcement costs that are not CDBG eligible, such as abatements and demolitions. This budget does not provide for the cost of correcting code violations.

Fair Housing Activities

These funds are utilized for personnel and administrative costs for four positions that deliver the City's Fair Housing Program. This program address unique problems of tenant/landlord mediation issues to include lease disputes such as illegal eviction, lockout, utility shut off, and improper seizure of property. The program offers information and education, especially to the disabled and elderly community, through outreach presentations and classes. In addition, this program assists with Housing Counseling services to address mortgage delinquency and avoid homelessness through rental evictions.

Green and Healthy Homes Lead Grant Match

CDBG funds can be used as a match for the Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration (LHRD) grant funds to identify and control lead based paint hazards in privately owned housing that is owned or rented by low or very low income families. The goal of the program is to prevent childhood lead poisoning, particularly for children under the age of six.

Infrastructure Improvements – Streets and Sidewalks

CDBG funds may be used for construction, rehabilitation or installation of public improvements that will benefit low to moderate income persons. Eligible improvements include streets, sidewalks, curbs, drainage, gutters, streetlights, water and sewer lines. Eligible costs include handicapped accessible improvements and energy efficiency improvements. Maintenance (repaving streets) is not eligible.

Minor Home Repair Activities

CDBG funds may be used to assist low to moderate income homeowners that are in need of minor home repairs up to \$25,000. Funds available may assist with all aspects of rehabilitation, lead based paint abatement, and clearance activities.

Public Facility Improvements

CDBG funds may be used for acquisition, construction, rehabilitation or installation of public facilities that are publicly owned or owned by a nonprofit and open to the public and will benefit low to moderate income persons. Eligible facilities include but are not limited to public schools, libraries, neighborhood facilities, recreational facilities, parks, playground, and facilities for persons with special needs such as homeless or domestic violence shelters and group homes for the disabled.

Public Service - Community Center Extended Hours

This funding provides for staff salaries for Community Center Extended Hours program which operates evenings and Saturdays for 8 weeks during the summer at 18 Community Centers around San Antonio. Each center is staffed with two Recreation Assistants who monitor the programs offered at each facility.

Public Service - Financial Education Program

These funds are used to support a financial counseling program that provides free basic financial literacy to area residents. This includes funding personnel costs for one position and an external contract with Family Services Association.

Public Service - Housing Supportive Services

This project funds programs for special populations aimed at prevention of homelessness. This includes emergency rental and/or utility assistance not to exceed three months, case management, outreach and support services.

Public Service - Summer Youth Program

These funds are used to support staff salaries for 8 weeks (Monday-Friday from 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.) during the summer months for the Summer Youth Program at 19 Community Centers around San Antonio. This program provides affordable childcare services for children ages six to 12 years. Participants enjoy a variety of activities including sports, craft projects, games, art, fitness and nutrition, and reading, math and science enrichment.

Single-Family Housing Rehabilitation & Reconstruction

CDBG funds may be used to assist low to moderate income homeowners with home rehabilitation including weatherization, lead based paint abatement, and clearance activities.

Support Affordable Housing Development –Homeownership Housing Development

CDBG funds may be used to support affordable housing development through acquisition, rehabilitation, clearance, site improvements and neighborhood infrastructure. This funding supplements homeownership housing development through the HOME Program. Outcomes will include acquisition, rehabilitation, resale or new construction homeownership housing.

Support Affordable Housing Development – Rental Housing Development

CDBG funds may be used to support affordable housing development through acquisition, rehabilitation, clearance, site improvements and neighborhood infrastructure. This funding supplements rental housing development through the HOME Program. Outcomes will include acquisition, rehabilitation, or new construction rental housing. CDBG funds may not be used for new construction of rental housing.

Other:

Public Services (limited to 15% of budget) CDBG funds may be used for a wide range of public service activities including but not limited to employment services, child care, health services, substance abuse services (counseling and treatment), fair housing counseling, education programs, energy conservation, services for senior citizens, services for homeless persons, welfare services (excluding income payments), and recreational services. Previous organizations funded through this activity type include the San Antonio Food Bank, Project Mend, Boys & Girls Clubs, Respite Care, and Communities in Schools.

HOME Eligible Activity

Community Housing Development Organization Operating Expense

These funds are designed to provide operating funds (administrative costs) to Community Housing Development Organizations (i.e. Habitat for Humanity) based on financial need and the expectation that the organization is utilizing or will utilize the City's HOME CHDO development funding within 24 months of the award.

Homeownership Housing Development

These funds are utilized for affordable single-family new construction development. The HOME program requires the City to set aside a minimum of 15% for Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) to develop affordable housing.

Homebuyer Incentive Program (Down Payment Assistance)

These funds are used to provide down payment and closing cost assistance to low-to-moderate income first time homebuyers.

Rental Housing Development

These funds are set-aside to support multi-family rental development activities. The program provides gap financing for both new construction and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing units for low and moderate income households.

Single-Family Housing Rehabilitation & Reconstruction

These funds are utilized to provide assistance to income-eligible homeowners to bring their house into compliance with local codes and provide safe housing. The program is designed to preserve affordable owner-occupied housing, reduce ongoing maintenance costs and promote energy efficiency.

Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program

These funds are utilized for rental subsidy that can be used to help individual households afford housing costs (rent and tenant paid utilities) for a period of 12 months. This program can also help with security deposits and utility deposits. Utility deposit assistance must be provided in combination with rent or security deposits.