City of Little Rock Department of Housing & Neighborhood Programs Community Development Division

Project Application Form 2020 Program Year

Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV) 24 CFR PART 570

SUMMARY

The City of Little Rock Department of Housing & Neighborhood Programs, Community Development Division, is now accepting CDBG applications for the 2020 CDBG-CV funding cycle.

OBJECTIVES

TBRA: Subrecipient will provide rent, and utility payments on behalf of tenants in order to assist low to moderate income households to secure decent, safe and sanitary housing for emergency rental assistance. Subrecipient will provide services that are consistent with the Five- Year Consolidated Plan.

Public Services: Subrecipient will provide services that benefit low to moderate income people that are consistent with the Five-Year Consolidated Plan which identifies public services.

PLEASE NOTE

The final determination of program funding will not be made until end of October 2020.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT PROJECTS SELECTED WILL BE SUBJECT TO FUNDING AVAILIABILITY.

You may access this NOFA (2020 Project Application-CV) by visiting our website at https://www.littlerock.gov/city-administration/city-departments/housing-and-neighborhood/. You may also call our office at 501-371-6898 to request an application or email Beverly Arbor at barbor@littlerock.gov. Also if you need additional information about Community Development Block Grant you can review the Code of Federal Regulations 24 CFR Part 570.

DATES

Project Application Form must be received by 5:00 p.m., Thursday, October 15, 2020 via email (barbor@littlerock.gov) or mailed to the attention of Beverly Arbor, Community Development Planner, Department of Housing and Neighborhood Programs, 500 West Markham, Suite 120W, Little Rock, AR 72201. If applications are mailed, the application must be received in the Community Development Division office by the time and date above. There will be absolutely no exceptions.

DISCLAIMER

All proposals submitted become the property of the City of Little Rock. Submission of a proposal does not commit the City of Little Rock to award a contract or to pay for any costs incurred in the preparation of a proposal. The City reserves the right to request additional information pursuant to this application. The City has the right to extend the submission deadline should such extension be in the interest of the City. Applicants have the right to revise their proposals in the event the deadline is extended. The City of Little Rock reserves the right to reject any proposal.



HUD NATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

All activities funded through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) must demonstrate that the activity meets at least one of the following HUD CDBG national objectives (24 CFR 570.208):

- Activities benefiting low and moderate income persons;
- Activities which aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; and
- Activities designed to meet community development needs having a particular urgency (referred to as urgent need).

PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT:

HUD has implemented a mandated system of reporting performance measurements in a precise and timely manner. All of the activities funded must identify one of the three performance measurements primary objectives and outcomes. Directly below are the primary objectives:

- <u>Creating suitable living environment</u> (in general, this objective relates to activities that are designed to benefit communities, families, or individuals by addressing issues in their living environment);
- <u>Creating decent housing</u> (this objective covers the wide range of housing activities that are general undertaken with CDBG, HOME, or HOPWA funds)
- <u>Creating economic opportunities</u> (this objective applies to the types of activities related to economic development, commercial revitalization, or job creation)

There are three outcome under each objective. They are:

- <u>Availability/Accessibility</u> applies to activities that make services, infrastructure, housing, or shelter available or accessible to low and moderate income people, including persons with disabilities. Accessibility does not refer only to physical barriers, but also to making the affordable basics of daily living available and accessible to low and moderate income people.
- <u>Affordability</u> applies to activities that provide affordability in a variety of ways in the lives of low and moderate income people. It can include the creation or maintenance of affordable housing, basic infrastructure hook-up, or services such as transportation or daycare.
- <u>Sustainability</u> applies to projects where the activity or activities are aimed at improving communities or neighborhoods, helping to make them livable or viable by providing benefits to persons or low and moderate income people or by removing or eliminating slums or blighted areas, through multiple activities or services that sustain communities or neighborhoods.

INCOME ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Funded activities must benefit persons whose annual income does not exceed 80 percent of the median income for the area, as determined by HUD. The current income limits are listed below, but limits are updated annually.

2020 HUD Income Guidelines

Household Size	Low (50%)	Very Low (50%)	Low (80%)
1	\$ 15,200.00	\$25,300.00	\$40,450.00
2	\$ 17,350.00	\$28,900.00	\$46,200.00
3	\$ 19,500.00	\$32,500.00	\$52,000.00
4	\$ 21,650.00	\$36,100.00	\$57,750.00
5	\$ 23,400.00	\$39,000.00	\$62,400.00
6	\$ 25,150.00	\$41,900.00	\$67,000.00
7	\$ 26,850.00	\$44,800.00	\$71,650.00
8	\$ 28,600.00	\$47,700.00	\$76,250.00

EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE ELIGIBILE COST

The program funds may be used:

- To provide rental assistance to help pay the cost of monthly rent and utility costs not to exceed \$3,000.00 per household. HUD Regulation- 24 CFR 570.207(b)(4) (Extension of assistance for up to an additional time may be allowed. Contingent upon funding)
- Not to pay security and/or utility deposits.
- Payments will be directly paid to the landlord and/or utility providers.

The City of Little Rock Assures Equal Opportunity in Employment and Housing.



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Name:				
Organization if applicable:Founded Date				
Address:				
Telephone Number:	Fax Number:			
Tax I.D. Number:	DUNS Number: (Please note that you must have a DUNS number to be eligible for CDBG Funds.)			
E-Mail Address:				
	Title:			
Contact Person:	Title:			
Contact Person's Direct Telephone Num	ber:			
Has your Organization received CDBG	funding in the past?YeswhenNo Project Information			
Name of Project				
Type of Project: Emergency Renta	ll Assistance Program (TBRA) Public Service Program			
Project National Objective				
Project Performance Measurement Object	ctive			
Project Performance Measurement Outco (Please refer to the listing in the CDBG NO	Ome FA for the National Objective, Performance Measurement Objectives & Outcome.)			
Neighborhood and/or Ward being Served	d			
Estimated Project Cost	Number of nersons served:			

Project Description (Attach additional pages if necessary)

1. Briefly describe the proposed project.				
2. Briefly describe the purpose of the project.(A) How the program will be announced (i.e., identify specific outreach and marketing strategies);				
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3. Describe the population (low-income elderly, at-risk youth, etc.) or the neighborhood and ward to be served:				
4. Identify your procedures that will document low and moderate income eligibility of program participants and how they were affected by COVID-19?				
5. Complete the program budget form or attach a budget that shows all costs associated with the project and all resources available for this project in addition to this funding request.				

6. Does the implementation of this program depend on receiving 100% of your CDBG request?					
7. If you are not approved for 100% of your CDBG request, how will	you address the shortfall?				
8. Briefly describe your organization qualifications, indicate staff mer grants and similar programs. If a 501c 3 organization please provide a					
I CERTIFY THAT ALL OF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THIS A	APPLICATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT.				
SIGNATURE To be considered for funding, applications must be received by email at					
below no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 15 2020.					

Department of Housing and Neighborhood Programs
Community Development Division
500 West Markham, Suite 120 West
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201
(501) 371-6825

PROGRAM BUDGET FORM

Organization	
Name:	
Project	
Name:	

Fiscal Year 2020

Please provide a detailed explanation of each line item.

Budget Categories						
Line Item Object	Funding Amount			Total Amount		
	CDBG Amount	Other Cash Contributions	In-Kind Amount			