

**INFORMATION SHEET ON
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
(CDBG)**

In New York, CDBG housing grants are funded through the NYS Homes and Community Renewal. For Fiscal Year 2014 approximately \$10 million is being made available for housing. The grant ceilings for housing under this Small Cities Program are:

Annual Competitive Round

Town, Cities or Villages: \$400,000

Counties: \$750,000

REQUIREMENTS:

- Proposed activities must be for the principal benefit of low and moderate income people. No less than 70 percent of grant funds must be for the principal benefit of low and moderate income persons.
- Projects proposed must directly impact on the applicant's identified need.
- Applications must be submitted electronically (or postmarked) by February 27, 2015.

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

EXAMPLES

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| . | Housing Rehabilitation | For rehabilitation of residential or commercial structures, modernization of public housing, code enforcement or historic preservation or mobile and manufactured home replacement |
| . | Direct Homeownership | For subsidized interest rates and mortgage principal amounts, financing acquisition of housing, or guaranteeing mortgage financing; or assisting with down payment and closing costs. |
| . | Creation of New Housing | Creation of new units through the conversion of existing structures for both owners and renters. New structures permitted on a limited basis. |
| . | Residential Water/Wastewater | For water and wastewater improvements, lateral connections |

INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES AND USES OF FUNDS:

- . Buildings used for conduct of government cannot be assisted with CDBG funds.
- . General government expenses.
- . CDBG funds cannot be used to fund facilities or equipment which is used for partisan political activities.
- . Generally, purchase of equipment is ineligible.
- . Purchase of construction equipment is ineligible.
- . Generally, the purchase of furnishings and personal property is ineligible.
- . Operating and maintenance expenses.
- . Acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of structures to be used for religious purposes.

It is the intention of the program to minimize displacement that may occur as a result of grant funding.