

Community Development Block Grant Office Hours

HCD's CDBG Team Wednesday, September 18, 2024



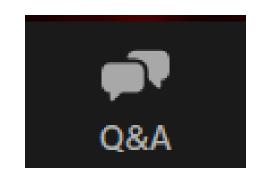


- Today you will have an opportunity to ask questions related to the 2024 NOFA
- Additional questions can be sent to the CDBG inbox at cdbg@hcd.ca.gov
- An FAQ will be added to the 2024 solicitation page containing answers to questions we have received



How to ask a question

- Webinar questions:
 - Click "Q & A" chat bubble to submit a question to the team
 - You may ask questions anonymously, but if you want your name, organization, or region associated with your question, you will need to type it in the "Your Name" box
 - The team will read questions out loud throughout the presentation and will provide answers if possible
 - All questions will be saved and recorded as part of the public record





- Required Recorded Live and Pre-Recorded webinars can be found on the <u>CDBG Workshops</u> and <u>Trainings - YouTube</u> channel
- Application opens <u>Tuesday, October 29, 2024,</u> at <u>9AM P.D.T.</u>



- This year is the 50th Anniversary of CDBG!
- In collaboration with HCD's Communications Team, we were able to create some highlight videos for the 50th Anniversary. (**Promise to do more soon!**)
 - CDBG Grantees: City of King, City of Marysville, and County of San Benito (THANK YOU!)
- YouTube Playlist (3 videos): <u>CDBG 50th</u> <u>Anniversary - YouTube</u>



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM





What's New

- A new LMA Mapping webinar will be available soon.
 - Census boundaries have changed since the last LMISD data set so the existing LMISD map will not work for mapping.
 - The new webinar will provide a walkthrough of obtaining a census block map from <u>data.census.gov</u> and new LMISD data from HUD.
- The following have been uploaded to the Files tab of the application solicitation:
 - Matrix Code Categories
 - 2024 Main and Sub Sample Application Questions
 - Sources and Uses Chart

Questions and Answers: Recap from Prior Office Hours





Please post the website link for the new DFFA environmental review website please

HCD Environmental Review Website:

https://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-and-funding/environmental-review-steps-cdbg-home-and-esg-grant-programs



What does "beneficiaries" mean?

A beneficiary is a person or household that benefits from a CDBG activity. E.g., a person receiving services from a public service, a household receiving a rehabilitation grant, or a person obtaining or retaining a job through an economic development activity.



The map boundaries for the new LMISD data are different than the old data.

Thank you for pointing this out! Please refer to slide 7 which discusses the new pre-recorded webinar.



When do we anticipate the next NOFA in 2025 to drop?

We anticipate it dropping mid-2025.



Was there a sample notice of public meeting for this NOFA. Cannot locate on website

If you are referring to a notice template for a public meeting for an application. It is on the CDBG website. Please go to the Grants Management Manual tab and select Appendix 4-1, it is available in both Spanish and English.



How do we track expenditures in our PI reporting - do we list on the sheet?

All your PI expenditures should be reported in its open CDBG award. You would report your PI expenditures as you would any normal expenditure. For the PI Reporting and Receipting Solicitation, that is only for your receipts and revenues for PI.



What would be the proper way to pull all the City's PI into an ED grant

If you have an open award already you can submit an amendment request with your CDBG rep. You would need a new resolution along with other documents. Make sure that you have been reporting and receipting if you want to add that PI to an open award.



Did the 50% expenditure requirement need to be met at the time of the NOFA dropping? recently closed and spent grants do not count toward the 50% rule right?

The requirement will need to be met at time of application submission. It is a good rule of thumb to double check your open awards if you are applying for the same type of activity to ensure that you have expended your current awards down to 50%. At the time of reviewing the application we will review your open annual CDBG awards.



For Planning grants can we apply to develop full plans and specs for road construction projects?

It is best to reach out to the CDBG inbox to ensure that it is an eligible activity. We will connect you with your representative and we can discuss what your plans look like and what you are tying to accomplish.



Do CDBG-CV grants count towards the 50% rule

No, they are not part of the calculation. But we do want to encourage you to spend the CDBG-CV money.



Can you post the list of required webinars again?

The required webinars are listed in our NOFA. And the NOFA is open for everyone to review.



50% is by activity code? or by category (i.e. public service)

It is by category. Public Services would be grouped together, and planning would be grouped together. Those open awards would count against applications for those types of activities. The 50% Rule only applies to Competitive applications.

Questions and Answers: Please submit your question(s) via Zoom Q+A

