



Community Development Block Grant 2017 Amended Method of Distribution

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Introduction

Administration of State of Oregon CDBG Program

Business Oregon (department) administers the state of Oregon's annual federal allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for non-metropolitan cities and counties. Urban cities and counties, and tribes are not included in the state's program because they receive CDBG funds directly from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Refer to Chapter 2 for more information regarding eligible applicants.

Primary Objective

The primary objective of the CDBG program is the development of viable (livable) communities by expanding economic opportunities, providing decent housing and a suitable living environment principally for persons of low and moderate income.

National Objective

Projects must meet one of three national objectives: 1) benefiting low- and moderate-income persons; 2) prevention or elimination of slums or blight; or 3) meeting other community development needs having particular urgency that pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community.

Low and Moderate Income

"Low income" means income equal to or less than 50 percent of the area median (adjusted by family size). "Moderate income" means income equal to or less than 80 percent of the area median (adjusted by family size). Applicable income limits are determined by HUD on an annual basis for all Oregon counties and metropolitan statistical areas.

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Method of Distribution (MOD)

Oregon's 2017 CDBG program is offered to eligible cities and counties for a wide range of activities as authorized under Section 105(a) of the Housing and Community Development Act (HCDA) of 1974, as amended. The eligible activities for the 2017 program year that begins January 1, 2017, are described within this 2017 Method of Distribution.

The state expects to receive approximately \$12 million in new federal funds during 2017 for grants to non-entitlement cities and counties for eligible projects.

The CDBG funds covered by this Method of Distribution include new 2017 funds, unobligated 2016 program year funds, program income and grant funds recaptured from projects funded in prior grant years.

In accordance with Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 123-080-030(3), the department will manage the competitive award and funding process for eligible projects under this 2017 Method of Distribution.

Instructions on How to Use the Method of Distribution

No single chapter is a stand-alone chapter. The entire Method of Distribution must be read and used in its entirety to obtain the necessary program information and requirements.

Oregon Administrative Rule

This Method of Distribution provides information to assist eligible entities prepare grant applications and is adopted as part of Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 123-080-0030 (3) by reference.

Contact the Department

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