



## CDBG PUBLIC SERVICES

Pre-Application Workshop

### **AGENDA**

- HUD Allocation/Planning Process
- National Objectives and Eligibility
- Funding Requirements
- Cross-Cutting Federal Requirements
- Application Process
- Reimbursements
- Reporting
- Compliance/Monitoring
- Resources

### **HUD ALLOCATIONS**

- \*\* Public Service applications/awards are contingent upon the City's CDBG allocation from HUD. \*\*
- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides support for housing and community development activities
- City receives annual allocation for the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)
  - Flexible program to address a range of community development needs
- 15% of the City's annual allocation can be used for Public Services

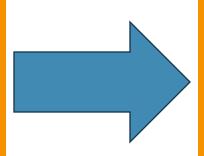
### PLANNING PROCESS

- Five-Year Consolidated Plan (Con Plan)
  - Broad goals and priorities
  - Data gathering/analysis
  - Guides how federal funding will be invested in our community
- Annual Action Plan (AAP)
  - Provides a summary of actions, activities, and resources planned for each year to address the priority needs and meet the goals identified in the Con Plan
- Community Outreach/Input
  - Helps identify and prioritize needs, goals, and funding investments for project categories

### NATIONAL OBJECTIVES

#### **CDBG**

- Benefit low to moderate income persons (<80% AMI)</li>
- Aid in the prevention/elimination of slums or blight
- Meet a need having a particular urgency



#### **Public Services**

- Limited Clientele
  - Services to specific group of LMI persons
  - 51% of clients served must be LMI
- Area Benefit
- Housing
- Job Creation/Retention

### **ELIGIBLE ENTITIES**

#### Who Can Apply

- Nonprofit organization (IRS designation)
  - Faith-based organizations without any requirements around religious beliefs/practices
- Good standing with the State
- Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) + registration on SAM.gov
- Not suspended or barred from receiving federal funds

#### Who CANNOT Apply

- Individuals
- For-profit businesses
- Organizations that:
  - are funders/pass-through entities
  - Are not the primary service provider
  - Require religious engagement/influence
  - Engage in discriminatory practices

### **ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES**

#### **Eligible Activities**

- Childcare
- Counseling/case mngt
- Education/recreation prog.
- Emergency housing support (short term rent assist., security deposit, utilities)
- Food bank/resources
- Health/mental health services
- Substance abuse recovery
- + many more

#### **Ineligible Activities**

- Political activities
- Payments directly to indiv.
- Temporary housing/passthrough leasing
- Equipment, maintenance and repairs, facility operating costs
- Fundraising
- Government expenses/buildings

### ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES CONT.

### Targeted Groups (examples)

- Elderly
- Veterans
- Children (0-12)
- Youth (13-19)
- Refugees
- Homeless/at risk of homelessness
- Individuals with disabilities
- Individuals with HIV/AIDS
- Victims of domestic violence

- Clients can live anywhere in Boise or in a specific neighborhood
- Services cannot be limited to tenants of one facility/building
  - Ex: only residents of one senior living facility

### **ELIGIBLE COSTS**



#### Allowed Costs for CDBG Funds

- Salaries for staff assisting the CDBG-funded activity
- Client assistance (not paid directly to individuals)
  - Rent/utility payments
  - After-school program scholarships
  - Daycare scholarships

### ELIGIBLE BENEFICIARIES

- Live in Boise's area of impact
- 51% of clients served by activity must be ≤80% AMI
- Annual gross household income must be verified/documented
  - 24 CFR 5.603 and 5.609
  - HUD Income Calculator
- Income levels updated by HUD annually

#### **CDBG Income Categories**

Extremely low =  $\leq$ 30% AMI

Low = 31% to 50% AMI

Moderate = 51% to 80% AMI

Non-LMI =  $\geq$ 81% AMI



### INCOME GUIDELINES

Boise Median Income: \$98,700 (household of 4)

	Moderate Income (80% of AMI)	Low Income (60% of AMI)	Very Low Income (50% of AMI)	Extremely Low Income (30% of AMI)
Number of People/Household	Annual Gross Income	Annual Gross Income	Annual Gross Income	Annual Gross Income
1 person	\$54,900	\$41,160	\$34,300	\$20,600
2 person	\$62,750	\$47,040	\$39,200	\$23,550
3 person	\$70,600	\$52,920	\$44,100	\$26,500
4 person	\$78,400	\$58,800	\$49,000	\$29,400

### **FUNDING REQUIREMENTS**

Request for New Activity/New Organization



- There are no prior funding rules
- Staff reviews current funding source

Request for Continuing CDBG Funds



- May request same or decreased level of funding
- Increased level of funding requires explanation of increased level of service or factors affecting cost increase

### FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS

- Uniform administrative requirements at 2 CFR Part 200
- Section 504: nondiscrimination and accessibility laws for individuals with disabilities. A self-evaluation of facilities and programs is required to ensure compliance or corrective steps needed
- Title VI of Civil Rights Act: Language access requirements for Limited English Proficient individuals
- Equal Opportunity: nondiscrimination requirements in employment
- Non-discrimination and Equal Access: prohibition of discrimination and equal access requirements regardless of gender identity
- Fair Housing: fair housing requirements for housing activities
- Environmental Review: conducted by City staff

### **APPLICATION TIMELINE**

APRIL	MAY – JUNE	JULY - AUG	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER
Application open	Application review and committee recommendations	Preliminary award letters	Subrecipient Agreements executed	Beginning of program year (CDBG funds available)
Pre-Application Workshop hosted by City staff		Supporting documentation review/requests	Pre-Program Year Training with City staff and indiv. awardees	

### APPLICATION REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- Articles of Incorporation & Bylaws
- Nonprofit determination
- Cert. of Good Standing
- UEI and proof of registration
- Liability insurance
- Organizational chart
- List of board of directors
- Authorization to request funds
- Designation of authorized official

- Policies and Procedures
- ADA/Accessibility Policy
- Language Access Policy
- Marketing materials
- Job descriptions + resumes
- Beneficiary data collection
- Sample timesheet
- Financial Mngt System
- Financial Statement/Audit

### **APPLICATION REVIEW PROCESS**

#### **Eligibility Analysis**

- City staff review each proposed activity to ensure it:
  - Meets a national objective
  - Is an eligible activity
  - Is an eligible cost
  - Provides any necessary info for continued funding requirements

#### **Public Services Committee**

- Individuals from community stakeholder organizations
  - Public agencies, hospitals, advocacy groups
  - Knowledgeable about community need and resources/funding
  - Not eligible to apply for Public Services funds

### **APPLICATION SCORING CRITERIA**

- Detail/clarity of proposed activity and use of CDBG funds
- Alignment with City priorities, community need
- Expected outcomes and impact
  - Activities serving more than 51% LMI clients are prioritized
  - Level of service (service ratio)
  - Leveraging of CDBG funds

- Outreach/advertising efforts
- Sustainability/promotion of client stability
- Collaboration with other agencies
- Experience/ability to carry out activity
- Prior compliance and monitoring/audit findings
- Financial stability

### **AWARD OF FUNDS**

- Preliminary Award Letter includes amount of award and conditions of commitment:
  - Release of funds by HUD
  - Mayor and Council approval
  - Environmental Review by City
- Subrecipient Agreement
  - Terms/requirements of CDBG program and public services
  - Activity description and allowed costs

#### Subrecipient Training

- Timeline, process, forms, reimbursements, reporting, compliance
- Resources and support

### REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR AWARDEES

#### Applicants selected for award:

- Section 504 Self-Evaluation
  - In consultation with individual/ organization representing individuals with disabilities
- Activity Budget
- Lobbying Certificate
- Hourly Billing Rate form

#### **New Subrecipients**

- W-9
- ACH form + voided copy of check (for direct deposit)

### REIMBURSEMENTS

- CDBG funds provided on a reimbursement basis
- Draw requests due in Neighborly the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month for complete prior month
  - i.e., October billing is due November 15
- One pdf containing the City's required cover sheet and supporting documents
  - Personnel salaries: detailed monthly timesheets
  - Client assistance: detailed invoice, calculation/tracking of assistance
  - Rent assistance: detailed invoice, rent ledger, copy of check(s) and lease
- Changes in staffing/pay rates must be reported/updated using City forms

### **QUARTERLY REPORTING**

- Due in Neighborly by 15<sup>th</sup> of Jan, Apr, July, Oct
- Unique persons served (nonduplicated)
- Progress on goals
- Technical assistance needs
- Staffing and/or rate changes
- Updated documents

#### Required Beneficiary Data

- Income category
- Race <u>and</u> ethnicity
- Disability status
- Elderly status
- Single-headed household by gender
- Service access type
- Homeless prevention and/or assistance data

### QUARTERLY REPORTING CONT.

#### Race and Ethnicity

- Best efforts should be made to collect race and ethnicity as self-identified by the client.
- If it cannot be collected, categories may be estimated by observation or using a number proportionate to Boise's population.

#### **HUD's Racial Categories**

- White
- Black or African American
- Asian
- American Indian/Alaska Native
- Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
- Multiple/Other

### NARRATIVE REPORTING

#### Mid-Year Progress Report

- Reflects first 6 months of program year (Oct – Mar)
- Due April 15
- Progress toward outcomes, staffing/organization updates, challenges, technical assistance/resources needed

#### **Final Report**

- Reflects full program year (Oct – Sept)
- Due Oct 15
- Outcomes, lessons learned, organization updates, future plans, success stories
- Activity fund sources
  - Leveraging of CDBG funds reported to HUD

### **ONGOING COMPLIANCE**

- City reviews progress throughout the program year
  - Number of clients served and any level of service requirements
  - Drawdown of CDBG funds
- City may request updated documents during the program year
  - Updated liability insurance
  - Updated UEI registration
  - Section 504 Self-Evaluation
- Technical Assistance
  - City provides support/resources as needed

### MONITORING

- City staff monitor activities for compliance with CDBG and City requirements
- Risk Assessment: quantitative assessment at beginning of program year to help determine level of monitoring required
- Desk Review: thorough review of organizational materials, draws, reports, etc.
- Onsite visit: in-depth review of client files, financial processes, policies & procedures, etc.

### PUBLIC SERVICES RESOURCES

- Public Services Program website https://www.cityofboise.org/public-services
  - Program overview and requirements
  - Public Services Program Guidelines
  - Application Required Document Checklist
  - City forms and templates
  - Links to income guidelines, the City's HUD-required plans,
    Public Services Subrecipient File Checklist, guide to
    Subrecipient's internal controls/administrative systems, etc.

# Thank You!