

New Housing and Downtown Opportunities for Cities

*Eligibility for all programs below is restricted to non-entitlement cities

CDBG Housing Upper Story Conversion

Deadline: August 31, 2021 11:59 PM

This program funds activities limited to existing buildings to either rehabilitate un-occupiable units or convert existing spaces into new units. All spaces must be vacant and un-occupiable at the time of application and have previously been so for a period of at least five (5) years prior to application. The maximum award per project is \$500,000 for up to seven units, inclusive of funding for contract administration. Awarded contracts will be for a period of three-years. To be eligible, no less than 51% of the rental units shall be occupied by low to moderate income persons or households.

CDBG Homebuyer Assistance

Deadline: As funds are available. Early action is important to secure funding.

This program facilitates and expands homeownership among low- and moderate- income homeowners. Assistance is limited to \$24,999 per unit to include, 50% of the lender required down payment; closing costs not to exceed \$3,500; home inspection not to exceed \$300. To be eligible for funding, homebuyers must be low to moderate income. Radon testing and lead remediation is limited to \$5,500. Radon testing is done at the buyer's discretion, but remediation is at buyer's expense. Maximum award amount is \$211,750 for five units. Additional buyers may be assisted if funds remain.

CDBG Housing Sustainability

Deadline: As funds are available. Early action is important to secure funding.

This program funds housing rehabilitation for owner-occupied, single-family units. All assisted units must be verified as the homeowner's principal place of residence and remain that way throughout the term of affordability (5 years). Assistance to homeowners must be in the form of a 5-year forgivable loan. Maximum award to a community is \$508,200.

This program funds housing rehabilitation improvement in the three following areas of improvements:

Architectural Barrier Removal	Assist homeowners that themselves are or have family members meeting the definition of elderly (60+) or "Severely Disabled" in removing physical architectural barriers to allow them to remain in their home.
Energy Efficiency Improvements	Assist homeowners to implement energy efficiency improvements in their home. Eligible items include new windows and doors.
Exterior Improvements	Assist homeowners to improve the outside envelope of their home. Eligible items include gutters, siding, fascia, soffit, foundations, outside stairways, etc.

CDBG Downtown Revitalization

Deadline: August 16, 2021 11:59 PM

The Downtown Revitalization Fund provides grants to communities for activities contributing to comprehensive revitalization in historic city centers or core downtown areas. If your community is not already prepared to apply for this year, you can begin preparing for next year's cycle.

Ready to get started?

ECICOG's Housing & Community Development Department is here to help! If your community wants to take advantage of these opportunities, please contact us.

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