

Planning Grants, A CDBG program

\$20,000 - 50,000



CDBG is a competitive grant program that uses federal funds to help rural communities improve their quality of life and ensure the health and safety of their citizens. The goal of the Planning Grant program is to encourage communities to plan for projects such as infrastructure, downtown revitalization, and community facilities that support long-term community development efforts.

Proposed projects must:

- Meet a national objective, **and**
- Be an eligible activity under Section 105(a) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

How can a project meet a national objective?

- Serve a community with $\geq 51\%$ LMI,
- Serve a protected class,
- Target slum/blight.

What is an eligible activity?

- Individual project plans and feasibility studies;
- Community development, redevelopment, functional plans;
- Environmental review/assessments;
- Site specific/site control activities.

Applications accepted on a rolling, yearly basis.

Eligible Applicants



Non-entitlement city, county, or incorporated town.

Plan	Max Grant Amount
Environmental Infrastructure Study	\$35,000 - \$50,000 depending on number of utilities studied
Comprehensive	\$40,000 - \$50,000 depending on population size
Downtown Revitalization	\$30,000 - \$40,000 depending on population size
Economic Development	\$40,000
Public Facilities	\$20,000
Historic Preservation	\$20,000
Broadband Connectivity	TBD

The application must be uploaded by 4 p.m. on the 15th of each month in order to be considered for that month's funding. All plans must be completed within 12 months following when the grant is awarded and meet OCRA technical specifications.

Contact your Community Liaison to get started on your application!



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