Indian Community Development Block Grant

Economic Development
Agenda

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The Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) Program provides eligible grantees with direct grants for use in developing viable Indian and Alaska Native Communities, including decent housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities, primarily for low- and moderate-income persons.

**Single Purpose Grants**
- Awarded via competition in accordance with a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO).

**Imminent Threat Grants**
- To address immediate negative impact on public health or safety of tribal residents. These are first-come, first-serve and awarded until the set aside amount is expended.
Funding

- **Appropriations:** Usually around $65,000,000 (FY22 is $72mil)

- **Minimum Award Amount:** $500,000  
  **Maximum Award Amount:** Ceilings are set annually for each area ONAP.

- Ceilings for FY21 below (FY22 NOFO not published yet):

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<th>Area ONAP</th>
<th>Population</th>
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<td>Alaska</td>
<td>ALL</td>
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<td>Eastern Woodlands</td>
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<td>7,500 and below</td>
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- Applications may include more than one project, but the entire grant may not exceed the limits listed below for each region.
Eligibility

Eligible Applicants:

Native American Tribal Governments (Federally Recognized)

- Any Indian tribe, band, group, or nation, including Alaska Indians, Aleuts, and Eskimos, and any Alaska Native village of the United States which is considered an eligible recipient under Title I of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450) or which had been an eligible recipient under the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Act of 1972 (31 U.S.C. 1221).

- In short, Federally Recognized Tribes. Check this list:

Native American Tribal Organizations

- May apply on behalf of any likewise eligible Indian tribe, band, group, nation, or Alaska Native village.

✓ Must have a Letter of eligibility, to show they are an Eligible Tribal organization under Title I of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act
Eligible Activities

Special Economic Development activities include:
24 CFR 1003.203(a) and (b)

a. The acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or installation of:
   - Commercial or industrial buildings,
   - structures, and other real property equipment, and
   - improvements, including railroad spurs or similar extensions.

b. The provision of assistance to a private for-profit business, including, but not limited to:
   - Grants, loans, loan guarantees, interest supplements, technical assistance, and
   - other forms of support, for any activity where the assistance is necessary or appropriate to carry out an economic development project

Note: Excludes ineligible activities in §1003.207(a).
Ineligible activities are listed under 24 CFR 1003.207 (a) and (b).

Activities under 1003.207(a) are excluded from the provisions under 1003.203(b).

- Buildings or portions
- General government expenses
- Political activities
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Applications are reviewed for **Threshold** and **Rating Factors** Requirements.

**Threshold requirements:**

1. Resolution of Civil Rights Matters  
2. Timely Submission of Applications.  
3. Grant Ceiling  
4. Rating Factor Point Thresholds  
5. ICDBG Program and Project Specific Thresholds  
   a. Outstanding Obligations  
   b. Untimely Closeouts  
   c. Housing Rehabilitation projects  
   d. New Housing Construction projects  
   e. Economic Development projects

**Note:** Applications must meet minimum threshold criteria (updated and/or revised annually) outlined in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) or will not be considered.
Threshold

**Threshold requirements** specific to ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT from FY21 NOFO

In accordance with 24 CFR 1003.302(c): You must provide an analysis and it should also establish to the extent practicable:

- reasonable financial support will be committed from non-Federal sources prior to disbursement of Federal funds;

- any grant amount provided will not substantially reduce the amount of non-Federal financial support for the activity;

- not more than a reasonable rate of return on investment is provided to the owner; and

- that grant funds used for the project will be disbursed on a pro rata basis with amounts from other sources. In addition, it must be established that the project is financially feasible and that it has a reasonable chance of success.
Rating Factors

- RF1: Capacity of the Applicant
- RF2: Need/Extent of the Problem
- RF3: Soundness of Approach
- RF4: Leveraging Resources
- RF5: Comprehensiveness And Coordination
Subfactor 2.2.b. Economic Development: Projects (up to 10 points)

The beneficiaries from this type of project can be the persons served by the project and/or persons employed by the project based on the jobs created or retained because of the project.

- Document persons employed by the project,
- Describe the nature and number of jobs created or retained for LMI people.

This information includes but is not limited to brief descriptions of proposed job responsibilities, job titles, salaries, and the number of full-time equivalent positions.

Example:

(10 points) At least 85 percent of the beneficiaries are LMI.

(0 points) Less than 51 percent of the beneficiaries are LMI.
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<td>✓ Not more than a reasonable rate of return on investment is provided to the owner; and,</td>
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<td>✓ That grant funds used for the project will be disbursed on a pro rata basis with amounts other sources.</td>
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<td>✓ In addition, it must be established that the project is financially feasible and that it has a reasonable chance of success.</td>
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<td>✓ Finally, the analysis must be prepared by a qualified party that has recent and relevant experience in the type of project being proposed.</td>
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(5 points) You satisfactorily addressed all the components listed above and provided evidence that the project’s chance for financial success is excellent.

(0 points) The application did not contain information sufficient to award points under this Subfactor.
Training and Technical Assistance (TTA) opportunities for ICDBG

**NOFO Trainings:**
- PowerPoint presentations identifying specific NOFO instructions for applying for eligible activities, rating, ranking, and scoring process
- National training via Webex, Q & A via Codetalk, email address, contact number and address provided.

**ONAP TA:**
- To request Technical Assistance, recipients should submit a request to their Area ONAP at the email address listed in the contact information section.

**Debriefing:**
- For a period of at least 120 days, beginning 30 days after the public announcement of awards under the applicable NOFO, HUD will provide a debriefing related to the application upon request.
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Questions regarding Economic Development projects should be directed to the POC listed below.

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Economic Development funds used to design and construct a travel plaza near Cedar City, Utah.
Resources

Webinar:

www.hud.gov/codetalk

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