Horry County CDBG Application

Addendum #1

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1. Conway was previously a part of the CDBG urban entitlement. Are projects eligible in the City of Conway?

The City of Conway is not part of the Horry County CDBG urban entitlement. The City of Conway applies for CDBG funding for projects through the SC Department of Commerce. Public service projects must primarily serve low to moderate income households who reside in unincorporated Horry County. Public facility projects must be located in unincorporated Horry County and primarily serve low to moderate income households in unincorporated Horry County.

2. What is the typical turn-around time for payment once requests for reimbursement are submitted?

We will issue a reimbursement within 21 days of receipt of a complete reimbursement request with all required documentation. It is our intent to process requests for reimbursement as quickly as possible. Payment request frequency intervals will be determined as a part of execution of a subrecipient agreement with an agency that is selected for funding.

3. Are there any exceptions to the three-month cash test?

Because payments are issued on a reimbursable basis, agencies selected for CDBG funding must be able to carry costs between requests for reimbursement. Applicants must complete the three-month cash test in Appendix A-2 of the application excel workbook to demonstrate this capacity. Applicants that are unable to meet the cash test requirements are unlikely to be funded, but may be funded contingent upon Horry County approval of a grant management plan.

4. Are beds for a homeless shelter an eligible expense through CDBG?

Furnishings and personal property that are not an integral structure fixture are generally ineligible. However, shelter beds are an essential item for service provision of a homeless shelter and would be eligible as part of a CDBG public service.
5. **Is the renovation of an auditorium that serves a head start program eligible as a CDBG-funded public facility project?**

An applicant must be able to demonstrate benefit to low to moderate income persons. The auditorium must be used primarily for the head start program. Participant eligibility is income-restricted for a head start program, so this project would qualify under the low to moderate clientele National Objective. The income restriction must be at least as restrictive as the CDBG income requirement, which is 80% of the Area Median Income.

6. **Are forensic exams for abused children eligible for CDBG public service funding?**

Forensic exams for abused children are an eligible CDBG public service. Assisted clients must live in unincorporated Horry County. This project would qualify through the low to moderate income clientele National Objective, with abused children as presumed benefit group. As a reminder, public service applicants must demonstrate that their projects are a new or expanded service.

7. **Are security deposits for veterans eligible for CDBG public service funding?**

Security deposits for veterans would be eligible for CDBG funding as a public service. Assisted clients must live in unincorporated Horry County. This project would qualify through the low to moderate income clientele National Objective. Assisted clients must have household incomes of 80% of the Area Median Income. As a reminder, public service applicants must demonstrate that their projects are a new or expanded service.

8. **Is there a minimum or maximum grant award amount?**

Applications submissions are evaluated based upon, including but not limited to, the merit of the project and the need for financial assistance. There is not a specific minimum or maximum grant award for this request for proposals.

9. **Is weatherization eligible as a CDBG-funded public service?**

Weatherization is a form of housing rehabilitation assistance and is not a public service. Horry County is not seeking project application submissions for housing rehabilitation assistance programs as a part of this request for proposals.