Notice of Funding Availability
Program Year 2020

Office of Economic Development
Community Development Block Grant
Neighborhood Public Service
Welcome

AGENDA:

➢ Review Neighborhood programs under the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)

➢ 2020 NOFA Schedule

➢ Discussion – Q&As, comments, suggestions
CDBG: Community Development Block Grants

- Established in 1974 by HUD
- Provides communities with resources to address a wide range of public service activities
- Goal is to assist with community development needs
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- Funded activities must meet a National Objective, fall into eligible categories and provide benefits to low- and moderate-income persons
- **Area Benefits**: At least 51% of people living in the area have low or moderate incomes
- **Limited Clientele Benefit**: Services targeted to low- and moderate-income persons, regardless of where they live.
2020 NOFA Overview

For this NOFA we are focused on:

- Nonprofit Organizing for Community Capacity-building to positively impact neighborhood revitalization;
- Economic Development: business assistance for financial empowerment;
- Youth and Adult Services focused on increasing self-sufficiency, including literacy, independent living skills and job training;
- Economic Development: technical assistance for cooperative business models; and
- Outreach efforts to promote available forms of assistance for economic development, employment, housing services and technical assistance.
**Funding Priorities**

### NEST Strategic Focus
- Building Community Capacity
- Financial Empowerment
- Youth & Adult self-sufficiency
- Cooperative Business Development
- Outreach to promote use of available assistance

### HUD Requirements
- Benefit Low/moderate income residents
- Meet National Objectives
- Fund Eligible Activities

### Mayoral Priorities
- Strengthening Denver’s Neighborhoods
- Affordability & Homelessness Services
- Mobility
- A Healthy & Active Community
- Keeping Denver Safe
- Sustainability
- Equity & Access to Opportunity
Priority consideration will be given to projects or programs in the following neighborhoods:

✓ Globeville
✓ Elyria Swansea
✓ Northeast Parkhill
✓ East Colfax
✓ Montbello
✓ Sun Valley
✓ Valverde
✓ Villa Park
✓ West Colfax
✓ Westwood

Additional neighborhoods may be updated as data suggests changing needs.
NOFA Changes & Funding Opportunities

➢ In 2020, we are only offering NOFAs for Neighborhood Public Service

➢ Housing is not offering a NOFA for 2020

➢ Separate applications are available for various types of lending support, accepted year-round on a rolling basis.
OED/DEDO Funding Opportunities

Visit OED’s website to locate applications and information for lending products:

➢ Public facilities and improvements/Neighborhood improvements
➢ Catalytic development projects
➢ Business development lending
Proposed activities (program or project support) will be reviewed individually:

- **Matches to stated priorities:** Please review stated priorities in the NOFA Guidelines.

- **Demonstrates commitment to and ability to meet stated program outcomes:** Evaluators will evaluate the ability of the organization to achieve their proposed outcomes (including review of previous contracted work and/or similar work undertaken [locally or in a similar setting]), organization capacity, and fiscal sustainability (including other funding sources).
Proposed activities (program or project support) will be reviewed individually:

- The reviews will be conducted by OED staff and other partner staff, with knowledge and experience in various program areas.
- Reviews will be conducted on the submittal proposal only.
- Decisions are anticipated in late 2019 to allow for early 2020 contracting.
- All awards and funding commitments are made contingent on HUD funding awards to Denver.
NOFA Evaluation Criteria

General

➢ Past performance (if applicable)
➢ Ability to leverage OED dollars with outside money
➢ Projects need to be ready to begin and get off the ground
➢ Clearly identified and quantifiable outcomes
➢ Organizational capacity (accounting, reporting & compliance)

✓ All partners need internal accounting personnel
✓ Contracts > $100K require annual audited financials
NOFA Evaluation Criteria

Ineligible Entities

➢ Any organization that has a defaulted loan (where there is no current agreement in principal with OED)

➢ Any organization that has unpaid audit fees or performance audit penalties/fees

➢ Any organization delinquent in taxes (sales or property)
Neighborhood/Catalytic Strategy

We continue to use our proven approach to invest resources with greater and more meaningful impacts for Denver’s underserved neighborhoods.

Activities with the strategies:

➢ Leveraging resources & investments
➢ Mitigating impacts from change & gentrification
➢ Community needs assessment/analysis
➢ Supporting partners through investments & support
➢ Catalytic/targeted investments
Funding Priority: Neighborhood Equity & Stabilization

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Federal Requirements

Compliance and Performance

➢ **Environmental**: (24 CFR 58.22) This regulation strictly forbids the commitment or expenditure of funds (Federal or Non-Federal) until an environmental clearance has been completed.

➢ **Relocation**: (49 CFR 24) Proposals that entail home rehabilitation or down-payment assistance must summarize their written policy and procedures for the following:

- Tenant-occupied homes are not eligible for down-payment assistance
- Provisions for occupants should they be temporarily displaced for their residence for longer than one day
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➢ **Davis Bacon and Related Acts (DBRA):** (29 CFR Parts 1, 3, 5, 6 and 7) Proposals requesting funds for demolition, rehabilitation or new construction may be required to pay prevailing wages and comply with other requirements of the DBRA.

➢ **Section 3:** (24 CFR 135) Proposals requesting funding in excess of $100,000 that entail demolition, rehabilitation or new construction must submit a draft Section 3 Utilization plan describing how low-moderate income subcontractors will be used in the project.

➢ **Performance:** (2 CFR 200) The new Uniform Grant Guidance provides for rescission of the award for noncompliance or nonperformance. A Risk Assessment will be conducted prior to award.
Contract Requirements

Required provisions and documentation

➢ **DUNS Number & SAM Registration:** All contractors receiving Federal funds must be registered in the System for Award Management Database (www.sam.gov). This requires a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number.

  ➢ Or Step 2 apply online: [https://www.dnb.com/duns-number.html](https://www.dnb.com/duns-number.html)

➢ **Secretary of State:** All contractors must be registered with the Colorado Secretary of State and have an active Certificate of Good Standing prior to submitting an application.

➢ Section 504

➢ Drug Free Workplace

➢ Anti Lobbying

➢ Debarment attestation

➢ **Insurance:** Certificates of Insurance are required of all City Contractors evidencing the following policies:

  ➢ Workers’ Compensation and Employer’s Liability

  ➢ Waivers for Sole Proprietors

  ➢ Commercial General Liability

  ➢ Sexual Abuse and Molestation Exclusion (SAME) language: Any contractor working with youth and/or a vulnerable population will require SAME coverage as a part of the contractor’s commercial general liability coverage.

  ➢ Business Automobile Liability

  ➢ Exception for Sole Proprietors
NOFA Schedule of Events

- Applications Available  Wednesday, July 17, 2019
- General Information Meeting  Monday, July 29, 2019
- Questions Due  Monday, August 5, 2019 4:00 p.m. MDT
- Addendum Issued  Friday, August 9, 2019
- Neighborhood Proposal Deadline  Friday, August 16, 2019 4:00 p.m. MDT
Questions

➢ Substantive/programmatic questions on the NOFA Guidelines will be accepted until the questions deadline of Friday, August 2. All questions and answers will be posted in the addendum, including from today.

➢ Technical questions (i.e. Wizehive issues) will be accepted until the proposal submission deadline.

➢ Neighborhood Questions: DEDO_neighborhoods.proposals@denvergov.org.
Questions?