

# Agenda for General Public Hearing

## PY2021 Community Development Block Grant Program

Trumbull County, Ohio

Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

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## I. Introduction

### A. Explain CDBG Program

1. Prior to 1982 the Small Cities CDBG Program was administered by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
2. The HUD Small Cities CDBG was competitive, meaning that each application had to compete with others to be funded.
3. In 1982 under the "New Federalism," HUD turned program over to states.
4. In Ohio the State Department of Development administers the program.
5. In 1982 the state's CDBG funds were allocated to non-urban counties and small cities based on a "distressed" formula (unemployment, population loss, per capita income).
6. In 1983 changes were made to the CDBG Program. Part of the funds were not allocated by the "distressed" formula but rather were distributed on a competitive basis statewide.
7. In PY2021 grant funds allocated through the Community and Economic Development Program have been estimated at \$34,400,000. The Federal CDBG dollars available is \$46,390,297.
8. The following are estimates of the PY2021 federal CDBG fund allocations:
  - a. Community Development - \$24,400,000 - Includes funding for the Allocation and competitive set-asides, the Neighborhood Revitalization and Critical Infrastructure Programs.
  - b. Economic Development & Public Infrastructure Program - \$10,000,000
  - c. Target of Opportunity Grant Program - \$2,000,000
  - d. Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program - \$8,500,000
  - f. OCD Administration - \$1,190,297
  - g. Training and Technical Assistance Funds - \$300,000
9. This general public hearing will briefly describe the state's PY2021 CDBG Programs.

## II. Eligible Activities

- A. Projects have to meet one of the national objective goals established in the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974
  - 1. Benefit low- and moderate-income persons (defined as earning 80 percent or less of the median household income)
    - a. In an area where data is available (census tracts, block groups), 51 percent or more of the people helped should have low/moderate income
  - 2. Prevent or eliminate slums and/or blight
- B. Types of eligible projects
  - 1. Economic Development Activities
    - a. Acquisition (buy land for industrial use, then residential)
    - b. Public facilities and improvements (sewer, water)
    - c. Commercial and industrial (replace, build railroads)
  - 2. Acquisition
    - a. Examples: buy sites for new housing development or acquire substandard buildings, then demolish them
  - 3. Disposition
    - a. Examples: to promote sale of acquired land or sites (through a brochure) or necessary survey costs
  - 4. Public Facilities Improvements
    - a. Senior Centers
    - b. Parks and recreation facilities

1. New parks where none exist
  2. Expand existing
  3. New equipment
  4. School recreation facilities only if used after school hours and weekends, by other groups, and school does not use facilities more than 4 hours a day
  5. No spectator sport facilities
- c. Centers for the disabled
1. Day care
  2. Single or multi-purpose
- d. Neighborhood facilities
1. Single or multi-purpose
  2. Designated to provide health, social or recreation services
- e. Solid waste disposal facilities
1. Does not include garbage trucks
- f. Fire protection facilities and equipment
1. Land and improvements necessary to store fire equipment and personnel
  2. Equipment includes EMS supplies
- g. Parking facilities
1. Must be related to Community Development needs area
- h. Public utilities other than sewer and water
1. Distribution facilities - not production plants, unless it is using renewable energy resources
  2. Utility cannot function without it
- i. Street improvements

1. Streets, street lights, traffic signals, signs, benches, trees, bridges, culverts, alleys, causeways, curbs, gutters, sidewalk
  2. No expressways, limited-access highways, ramps or related
- j. Water and sewer facilities
  1. Includes storm sewers which collect, transport, dispose of storm waters, surface water, groundwater or drainage into an existing water course, excluding domestic waste water and commercial and industrial wastes
- k. Flood and drainage facilities
  1. Designed to influence or affect the flow in a natural watercourse, excluding storm sewers
5. Clearance Activities
  - a. Clearance, demolition and removal of buildings and improvements, include moving structures to other sites
6. Public Services
  - a. Fifteen percent lid
  - b. Deals with employment, crime, drug abuse
  - c. Service has not been provided in past by state or local government (within last 12 months)
  - d. Service discontinued by reduction in funding
7. Interim Assistance
  - a. Emergency rehabilitation
  - b. Bulk refuse removal (to alleviate health or safety hazards)
8. Relocation Payments and Assistance
9. Specialty Authorized Assistance to Privately-Owned Utilities

10. Rehabilitation Activities
  - a. Includes publicly owned permanent housing units
  - b. Improvements and planning for public housing
  - c. Acquisition of vacant buildings which can feasibly be rehabilitated, then resell them to people to fix them
  - d. Loans (rehabilitation financing) to improve housing conditions
  - e. Weatherization
11. Code Enforcement
12. Planning and Urban Environmental Design
  - a. Comprehensive plans
13. General Administration
  - a. Grantees may use up to 20 percent of the total Community Development Allocation Program grant for general administration, implementation, and Fair Housing costs. General administration costs include citizen participation, application preparation, grant agreement, environmental review, drawing down funds and overall recordkeeping, reporting, audit(s) and closeout, program compliance and performance.
  - b. Neighborhood Revitalization Program: A maximum of \$50,000 or 15% of the total CDBG project cost, whichever is less, may be used for general administration., environmental review, audit and close-out.
  - c. Economic and Community Development Target of Opportunity Program: A maximum of 10% or \$10,000, whichever is less, of the total grant amount may be used for general administration, implementation (including on-site delivery costs), environmental review, audit and close-out
  - d. Critical Infrastructure Program: A maximum of 10 percent or \$30,000, whichever is less, of the total grant amount may be used for general administration.
  - e. Economic Development Program: Units of general local government receiving grants for economic development projects shall be allowed a

maximum of \$20,000, not to exceed 10% of the project request, for general administration and implementation.

- f. Residential Public Infrastructure Grant Program: A maximum of 10 percent or \$30,000, whichever is less, of the total grant amount may be used for general administration. Projects not requesting CDBG funds for household connections will be limited to a maximum of \$20,000 in administration.
- g. Engineering, architectural and legal service costs, which are related to activities undertaken with CDBG funds, can be charged to the specific activity line item budget.

C. Ineligible Activities

- 1. Cannot spend money for conduct of general local government (courthouse, municipal building)
- 2. Cannot spend money for spectator facilities, such as cultural, exhibition, or stadiums
- 3. Maintenance

**III. Past Performance of Trumbull County**

- A. FY77 Housing Rehab and Howland Township Park \$125,000 grant - \$60,000 rehab 21 homes-\$65,000 Howland Township Park
- B. FY77 Housing Rehab - \$112,000 grant - 35 homes rehabilitated, close out - audit, no findings
- C. FY81 Braceville Water Line - \$128,000 grant to pay assessment of low/moderate income families along the line
- D. FY82 City of Cortland Water Well Project - \$19,600 Water Well Construction
- E. FY83 Cortland City Street Resurfacing Project - \$25,000
- F. FY84 City of Cortland Sewer Lateral Project - \$25,000
- G. FY85 Cortland City Water Well Hookup Project - \$25,000
- H. FY83 Trumbull County Formula Program - Completed over \$77,000 in accounts payable

- I. FY84 Trumbull County Formula Program- 6 projects - \$495,000
- J. FY85 Trumbull County Formula Program - 8 projects - \$474,300
- K. FY84 Hubbard Economic Development Project - Sewer and Water Extensions to McDonald's Restaurant - \$34,500
- L. FY85 Niles Expanded Metals Project - Low-interest loan of \$256,000 to enable the company to continue operations and retain 70 jobs
- M. FY85 Quality Plastics Inc. Project - Economic Development Loan
- N. FY85 and FY86 Comprehensive Housing - Multi Year \$946,000 grant to provide deferred loans for housing rehabilitation and other improvements in the Dover Street Area and Bolindale Neighborhoods
- O. Rental Rehabilitation Projects - Hubbard, McDonald, and Niles \$115,000 grant for each community to renovate rental units in identified target areas
- P. FY86 and FY87 CDBG Formula Programs, Trumbull County
- Q. FY88 Economic Development Projects - Salt Springs Road - Interstate 80 Sanitary Sewer Project - Associated Products - Vienna Township - Michigan Hanger Company - City of Niles
- R. FY89 Economic Development Program-Federal Wholesale Company - City of Hubbard
- S. FY90 Rental Rehabilitation Program - City of Niles
- T. FY91 Comprehensive Housing Program - Maplewood Park Area - Rehabilitation of housing units in Hubbard Township Target Area – Street Resurfacing and Storm Drainage Improvements. Total grant amount: \$600,000
- U. FY91 CDBG Formula Program - Trumbull County - West Market Street Sanitary Sewer Project, Acquired Cities: Girard, Cortland, Hubbard, Newton Falls. Total Grant: \$599,500
- V. FY92 CDBG Formula Program - 8 county projects - Acquired Cities: Girard, Cortland, and Hubbard. Total Grant: \$575,900



- W. FY92 CDBG Economic Development Program- Low-interest loan to Superior Printing Company - Howland Township
- X. FY93 CDBG Economic Development Program- Sanitary Sewer Line for Hays Enterprises - Lordstown Village
- Y. FY93 CDBG Formula Program - 8 County Projects - Acquired Cities: Girard, Cortland, and Hubbard. Total Grant: \$710,400
- Z. FY94 CDBG Formula Program-Total Grant: \$757,100
- AA. FY95 CDBG Formula Program- Total Grant: \$568,900  
Warren Township Waterline Project, Center South Road Waterline, Braceville Twp., Street Improvements, Howland Twp., Street Improvements, Fowler Twp., Land Acquisition and Demolition, Cortland, Street Improvements, City of Hubbard- City of Girard Budget = \$64,400 Municipal Building - Removal of Architectural Barriers - Addition of Public Restrooms, Barnhisel House Sanitary Sewer Lateral Installation, Parkwood Target Area Street Improvements
- BB. FY96 CDBG Formula Program-Total Grant: \$540,000  
National Guard Waterline, Braceville Township, Street Improvements, City of Hubbard City of Girard Budget = \$61,000-Parkwood Street Improvements
- CC. FY97 CDBG Formula Program-Total Grant: \$586,000  
Austintown-Warren Road Waterline, Weathersfield Township, Combined Sewer Overflows (CSO's), Newton Falls, Basswood and Beechwood Waterlines, Howland Twp., St. Vincent DePaul Projects, Warren & Hubbard, Street Improvements, City of Hubbard, Leavittsburg Central Business District Plan  
City of Girard Budget = \$66,000  
Parkwood - Verona Street Water & Sewer Facilities, Parkwood - Lorain Street Improvements, Parkwood Planning Study
- DD. FY98 CDBG Formula Program  
Total Grant: \$616,000  
Ulp Street Storm Drainage (Phase II), Brookfield, McDonald Village Senior Center Elevator, Elmwood Ave. Waterline, Howland Twp., Basswood and Beechwood Waterlines, Howland, Clearance/Demolitions in Four Townships, Street Improvements, City of Cortland, Street Improvements, City of Hubbard, Emergency Housing Repair Program, Farmland Preservation Plan  
City of Girard Budget = \$82,500  
Parkwood - Verona Street Water & Sewer Facilities

- EE. FY99 CDBG Formula Program  
 Total Grant: \$586,000  
 Hilltop Area Sanitary Sewers, Weathersfield Twp., CSO Separation Project, Newton Falls, S. High Street Sanitary Sewer, City of Cortland, Street Improvements, City of Hubbard  
 City of Girard Budget = \$94,700  
 Hartzell & Broadway Water & Sewer Facilities
- FF. FY2000 CDBG Formula Program  
 Total Grant: \$551,000  
 Hilltop Sanitary Sewers, Weathersfield Township, City of Hubbard Street Improvements, City of Cortland, South High Street Sewer, Emergency Housing Rehabilitation, Township Demolitions, Mesopotamia Township Handicapped Access Ramp, Newton Falls Generator, Planning Study  
 City of Girard Budget; \$86,150  
 South Market Street Curbs & Sidewalks Project, Barnhisel House Public Rehabilitation
- GG. FY2001 CDBG Formula Program  
 Total Grant: \$586,000  
 Meadowbrook Water Lines, Warren Township; Trumbull County Fairgrounds Handicapped Accessible Parking Area, Bazetta Township; City of Cortland, Walnut Street Improvements; Countywide Emergency Repair; City of Hubbard Street Improvements; Countywide Clearance Activities; Saint Vincent De Paul Parking Facilities, City of Warren  
 City of Girard Grant = \$66,000  
 Parkwood Street Improvements, Girard Multi-Generational Center -Jubilee Garden, Barnhisel House Public Rehabilitation
- HH. FY2002 CDBG Formula Program  
 Total Grant \$600,000  
 Shannon Road Sanitary Sewer Project, Liberty Township; Bolindale Community Distress Project, Howland Township; Broad Street Curbs & Sidewalks Project, City of Newton Falls; Maplewood Park Street Improvements, Hubbard Township; Countywide Emergency Repairs; City of Cortland Market & Gates Street Sanitary Sewer Project; City of Hubbard Handicapped-Accessible Curb Ramp Project.
- II. FY2003 CDBG Formula Program  
 Total Grant \$573,000  
 West Hill Sanitary Sewer Project, Brookfield Township; Maplewood Park, Hubbard Township; Hubbard City Northeast Street Improvements; Cortland City Curbs &

Sidewalks Activity; Newton Falls East River Gardens Street Improvements Activity; Community Assessment Strategy Planning Study Update; Saint Vincent DePaul Society Kitchen Material Purchases

- JJ. FY2004 CDBG Formula Program  
Total Grant \$571,000  
Austintown Warren Road Waterline Project, Weathersfield Township; Hubbard Northeast Street Improvements (includes FY03); Hubbard City Downtown Planning Study; Emmanuel Community Care Center Public Rehabilitation, City of Girard; Maplewood Park Street Improvements, Hubbard Township; Kinsman Community Center Public Rehabilitation; Countywide Clearance Activities
- KK. FY2005 CDBG Formula Program  
Total Grant \$540,000  
McKinley Heights Sanitary Sewer Project, Weathersfield Township; Hubbard City Northeast Street Improvements Project, Mesopotamia Township Street Improvements Project and the Austintown-Warren Road Waterline Project (cont.), Weathersfield Township
- LL. FY2006 CDBG Formula Program  
Total Grant \$486,000  
Brookfield Center South Sanitary Sewer Project, Brookfield Township and Hubbard City Northeast Street Improvements Project
- MM. FY2007 CDBG Formula Program  
Total Grant \$473,000  
North River Road Sanitary Sewer, Trumbull County Agricultural Services and Family Education Center Handicapped-Parking Facilities, Countywide Emergency Repairs, Saint Vincent DePaul Society Kitchen and Clothing Store Public Rehabilitation, Johnston Township Police Station/Senior Center Handicapped-Access Ramp, Fair Housing, Countywide CHIS Planning Study and Administration.
- NN. FY2008 CDBG Formula Program  
Total Grant \$463,000  
Scott Street Sanitary Sewer; Newton Township, Christy House Emergency Shelter; Warren City, Hubbard Street Improvements, Fair Housing and Administration
- OO. FY2009 CDBG Formula Program  
Total Grant \$474,000  
Bolindale Sanitary Sewer, Howland Township, Hubbard Street Improvements, St. Vincent DePaul Society Kitchen Roof Replacement, Community Family Outreach Center Roof Repairs, Fair Housing and Administration

- PP. FY2010 CDBG Formula Program and CHIP Program  
 Total Formula Grant \$540,000 + \$250,000 CHIP Grant  
 Little Squaw Creek Sanitary Sewer, Phase II, Liberty & Vienna Townships, Gilbert Street Sanitary Sewer, Weathersfield Township, Community Legal Aid Foreclosure Prevention, Fair Housing and Administration
- QQ. FY2011 CDBG Formula Program and Water & Sewer Program  
 Total for both grants \$1,076,950  
 Overland Sanitary Sewer, Kinsman Sanitary Sewer, Kinsman Townships, City of Hubbard Street Improvements, Community Legal Aid Foreclosure Prevention, Fair Housing and Administration
- RR. FY2012 CDBG Formula Program and Water & Sewer Program  
 Total Grant \$1,032,000  
 Kinsman Sanitary Sewer, Kinsman Township, US 422 Redevelopment Plan (Girard and Youngstown) Community Legal Aid Foreclosure Prevention, Fair Housing and Administration
- SS. PY2013 CDBG Community Allocation and Neighborhood Revitalization Program  
 Total Grant \$904,000 (\$654,000 Allocation & \$250,000 CHIP) Grant  
 Hubbard Street Improvements, Countywide Sanitary Lateral Assistance (SLAP) Program, Community Legal Aid Foreclosure Prevention, Girard Neighborhood Revitalization activities including Parks & Rec. Facilities, Fire Protect. Fac. & Equip, Street Improvements, Sidewalk Improvements, Demolitions and Senior Center Improvements, Fair Housing and Administration
- TT. PY2014 CDBG Community Allocation and Critical Infrastructure Program  
 Total Grant \$587,200  
 Donley East Road Street Improvements and Girard Street Improvement Activities, Fair Housing and Administration
- UU. PY2015 CDBG Community Allocation and Downtown Revitalization Program  
 Total Grant \$637,000  
 Girard Downtown Revitalization Program, Trumbull Mobile Meals Facility, Section 108 Loan Repayment, Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Update, Fair Housing and Administration
- VV. PY2016 CDBG Community Allocation (\$614,000) and Residential Public Infrastructure Grant Program (\$324,800)  
 Total Grant \$938,800  
 Weathersfield Bridge No. 2 Replacement, Sanitary Lateral Assistance Program,

Fair Housing and Administration and the Allison Avenue Sanitary Sewer Project

- WW. PY2017 CDBG Community Allocation (\$535,000), Residential Public Infrastructure Grant (\$600,000) and Critical Infrastructure Grant (\$300,000) Programs  
Total Grants \$1,435,000  
Weathersfield Bridge No. 13 Replacement, South Bedford Road Sanitary Sewer Project, Girard, Liberty Brookfield & warren Street Improvements, Girard Downtown Revitalization Grant Program and the Girard Multi-Generational Center Door Replacement Project, Fair Housing and Administration
- XX. PY2018 CDBG Critical Infrastructure Grant Programs – Liberty (\$263,500) and Howland (\$416,600)  
Total Grants \$680,100
- YY. PY2019 CDBG Community Allocation and Neighborhood Revitalization Grant Programs  
Total Grants \$3,013,900
- ZZ. PY2020 CDBG CARES ACT ESG and CARES ACT TOO Grant Programs  
Total Grants \$694,100

#### **IV. Available Funds - PY2021 CDBG Program**

- A. In PY2021 the county is eligible to apply for the following CDBG Programs:
1. CDBG Community Development Program - Community Development Neighborhood Revitalization, Target of Opportunity and Critical Infrastructure Programs.
    - a. The county's allocation for PY2021 is expected to be the same as the bi-annual PY2019 allocation of \$578,000.
    - b. The county may apply for additional funds through one or more of the competitive programs in 2021 – since there are three competitive grants still open for Critical Infrastructure and Residential Public Infrastructure the number of additional grant requests is limited based on administrative capacity.
    - c. Eligible activities must benefit 51 percent low- and moderate-income households or help alleviate slum and blight conditions for CDBG
  2. Residential Public Infrastructure Grant Program Competitive Grants

- a. competitive grants up to \$750,000 available to mitigate health and safety problems through new infrastructure
  - b. grants cannot exceed 50 percent of costs and 51 percent low- and moderate-income benefit required
  - c. Counties will be limited to four awards per program year. A county may receive two grant awards for applications submitted on behalf of itself and two on behalf of one or more eligible sub-units of general local government (villages and cities) within the county's jurisdiction. Jurisdictions funded under this program in PY2020 will not be eligible for funding in PY2021; however, counties funded in PY2020 are allowed to apply on behalf of a different sub-unit of government within their jurisdiction.
3. Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program Competitive Grants
- a. Non-entitlement jurisdictions (cities with a low-moderate income population at or above 25 percent and all counties) that are part of a participating jurisdiction consortium, as defined by the HOME Program regulations with an approved CHIP Policy and Procedures Manual (eligible to receive Ohio Housing Trust Fund and CDBG funds). Jurisdictions with an allocation of more than \$400,000 from HUD per year are eligible for a maximum CHIP Program award of \$250,000. (The remaining jurisdictions must refer to Grant Ceiling, Single-Community Applicants, Column B – Single County \$400,000).
  - b. activities include but are not limited to private owner rehabilitation and home repair projects
4. Economic Development Public Infrastructure Program or Loan Program
- a. competitive grants up to \$500,000 maximum for direct loans, \$500,000 maximum for off-site infrastructure projects creating new jobs - an additional \$50,000 for the recipient businesses that hire and provide training to public assistance recipients.
  - b. grants cannot exceed 50 percent of project costs, maximum CDBG cost per job must not exceed \$25,000 for direct loans or \$9,999.99 for off-site infrastructure projects
  - c. applicant should keep ratio (CDBG cost per job) as low as possible to stay competitive.

5. Other grants available through CDBG Program

a. Visit the PY2020 Annual Action Plan at

[https://development.ohio.gov/files/cs/Draft PY 2021 AAP 03082021.pdf](https://development.ohio.gov/files/cs/Draft_PY_2021_AAP_03082021.pdf)

**V. Open Discussion**

- A. Questions or comments related to the PY2021 Community Development Block Grant Program

**VI. Conclusion**

- A. Thank those in attendance for coming and that for further information or questions they can contact the Planning Commission at 330-675-2480.