

City Council Policy No. 9

Community Development Block Grant and HOME Programs.

Through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Programs, the City Council provides for the development and preservation of a viable urban community, a suitable living environment, decent housing and expanded economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income, and aids in the prevention or elimination of slums and blight. The City carries out its objectives by providing for appropriate streets and drainage, housing, recreational opportunities, neighborhood preservation, and revitalization, and economic development as needed. To ensure that these objectives are achieved, the following guidelines shall be as follows:

- a. No CDBG Funds will be authorized to applicant agencies for the support of operating expenses, with the exception of economic development projects that create jobs.
- b. No capital grants will be made without sufficient evidence of the financial capacity of the applying agency to operate the program.
- c. Priority will be given to those applying agencies that make substantial new capital contributions to the project for which they are seeking funds.
- d. Housing shall be maintained as the top priority for the CDBG program as well as placing greater emphasis on public infrastructure (City) in CDBG eligible tracts.
- e. External agencies awarded CDBG funds will not be eligible to apply for future CDBG funding until two fiscal cycles have elapsed since the fiscal cycle in which funds were granted. (For example, an external agency awarded CDBG funding in fiscal cycle 2013-2014 will not be eligible to apply for future CDBG funding until the 2016-2017 fiscal cycle.)
- f. Program income generated from the CDBG Housing Program is a revolving fund and will be applied toward Affordable Housing Programs administered by the Housing and Community Development Department, as mandated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Program income generated from the CDBG Demolition Program and the Clearance of Vacant Property Program will be applied to each individual program's revolving fund. Program income generated from the HOME Program will be applied towards maintaining or creating affordable housing in the community.
- g. Annual funding request for CDBG and HOME programs administered through the Housing and Community Development Department shall be approved in order to ensure that the essential operations of the department are met in accordance with the departments Mission.

(Res. No. 21901, § 1, 3-22-1994; Res. No. 026055, § 1, 12-14-2004; Res. No. 026571, § 1, 12-20-2005; Ord. No. 030000, § 1, 10-29-2013; Res. No. 030365, § 1, 12-16-2014; Res. No. 030525, § 1, 6-16-15)