FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM OF BRADFORD COUN-TY, PLEASE CONTACT THE BRADFORD COUTY GRANTS OFFICE



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THE PA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY &
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
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HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT





It is the policy of Bradford County to implement programs to ensure equal opportunities in housing and community development for all persons regardless of race, color, age, religion, ancestry, gender, national origin, handicap or disability, or familial status (families with children)

Further information concerning the Community Development Block Grant and Bradford County Housing Rehabilitation Program can be obtained from:

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CDBG

Community Development

Block Grant



A GRANT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY

THE BRADFORD COUNTY GRANTS OFFICE

FOR THE

BRADFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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PURPOSE

Community Development Block Grants are provided to assist in the development of viable communities through decent housing and a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income.

ADMINISTRATION

The Bradford County Commissioners apply for and receive Community Development Block Grant funds each year for allocation among "non-entitlement communities". Administrative responsibilities associated with CDBG are administered by the Bradford County Grants Office and managed by the CDBG/Housing Rehabilitation Coordinator.

TIME FRAME

Consideration for project funding takes place each year as follows:

Letters of Interest
First Public Hearing
Informal Review of Projects
Second Public Hearing
County Application submitted to
DCED
Project Funding Available

CDBG OBJECTIVES

Funding for a particular project can be considered <u>only if</u> one of the *National* Objectives of CDBG will be met. The Objectives are as follows:

- Benefiting low and moderate income persons;
- 2. Addressing slum or blighted areas;
- 3. Meeting a particularly urgent community development need.

AN ACTIVITY WHICH DOES NOT MEET ONE OF THESE OBJECTIVES IS INELIGIBLE FOR THE CDBG PROGRAM

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

TIMELINESS: Projects must be completed within three years. It is advisable that projects be ready to be implemented within the first year of the CDBG Contract.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW: Projects must first undergo a review of potential environmental impacts.

FEDERAL PREVAILING WAGES (Davis-

Bacon): Construction and renovation projects exceeding \$2,000.00 are subject to the Davis-Bacon Act that requires payment of prevailing wages to employees.

COOPERATION & LEADERSHIP: Projects are more likely to be completed efficiently and according to plan when there is a designated project manager to see it through from start to finish.

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- Acquisition & Disposition of Real Property
- Public Facilities & Improvements
- Privately-owned Utilities
- Public Services
- Infrastructure Improvements
- Interim Assistance
- Removal of Architectural Barriers
- Housing Rehabilitation
- Historic Preservation
- Code Enforcement
- Commercial or Industrial Rehabilitation
- Demolition and Clearance
- Special Economic Development
- Planning & Capacity Building



INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- Purchase of Construction Equipment, Machinery, etc.
- Operating Costs
- Payments to individuals for rent or utilities
- Preserving buildings for the conduct of government
- Public facilities which benefit forprofit entities