

City of Massillon
FY 2011 Community Development Block Grant Program
Information for Applicants

CDBG Entitlement

FY 2011 CDBG Entitlement (Estimate) \$740,000

FY 2011 CDBG Application Process

Dec 1 - Jan. 30	Time Period for submission of CDBG Project Proposals to Massillon Community Development Department. Deadline for submission of proposals is January 28, 2011.
Feb 1 - March 31	City to review submitted CDBG project proposals and prepare preliminary FY 2011 CDBG Program Budget.
April 1 – 30	30 Day Comment Period on FY 2011 CDBG Program Budget.
May 15	City's FY 2011 CDBG Application filed with U.S. Dept. of HUD.
July 1	Start of Massillon's FY 2011 CDBG Program Year.

The City of Massillon will hold an Application Preparation Workshop on Wednesday December 15, 2010, at 3:00 PM in Massillon City Council Chambers. In addition, the City will hold at least one public hearing on the proposed FY 2011 CDBG Program Budget prior to its final approval by City Council.

CDBG Project Eligibility Requirements

In order to be eligible for funding under the CDBG Program, a proposed project must meet all of the following requirements:

1. The project must be listed as an eligible activity in the Federal regulations under the CDBG Program. Examples of eligible activities include the following:
 - a. Housing rehabilitation activities
 - b. Public facilities, including senior citizen centers, youth centers, health centers, and centers for persons with disabilities.
 - c. Homeless shelters, domestic violence shelters.
 - d. Public improvements, including streets, sidewalks, water and sewer projects.
 - e. Public services, including homebuyer assistance, child care, health care, job training, recreation, education, public safety and crime prevention, elderly services, homeless assistance, and drug abuse counseling.
 - f. Code enforcement, demolition, and clearance activities.
 - g. Economic development programs.
 - h. Commercial/Industrial Rehabilitation
 - i. Fair housing programs

2. The project must satisfy one of the National Goals and Objectives of the CDBG Program, listed below as follows:
 - a. The provision of decent housing that is affordable to low and very low income households.
 - b. The provision of a suitable living environment, improving the safety and livability of neighborhoods, increasing access to quality facilities and services, improving housing opportunities, and revitalizing deteriorated neighborhoods.
 - c. The expansion of economic opportunities, creating jobs that promote long term economic and social viability and that are accessible to low and very low income persons.
3. The project must demonstrate measurable results based on the type of activity proposed for funding. Project accomplishments will be measured using a variety of performance indicators developed by the U.S. Dept. of HUD, including
 - a. Amount of money leveraged from other Federal, State, local, and private sources.
 - b. Number of persons, households, businesses, units or beds assisted,
 - c. Reporting on other specific performance indicators will also be required depending on the type of activity being funded.

HUD Expenditure Requirements

1. Each year, the City of Massillon must expend no less than 70% of its CDBG Funds, less planning and administration costs, for activities that benefit low and moderate income persons.
2. No more than 15% of the City's CDBG funds can be expended on public service activities in a program year.
3. No more than 20% of the City's CDBG funds can be expended on planning and administration activities, including fair housing services, in a program year.