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Community Development Block Grant

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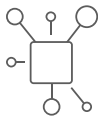


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We strengthen communities



**HOUSING
HOMELESSNESS**



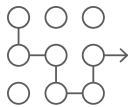
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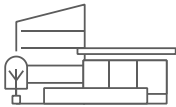
**BUSINESS
ASSISTANCE**



ENERGY



PLANNING



COMMUNITY FACILITIES



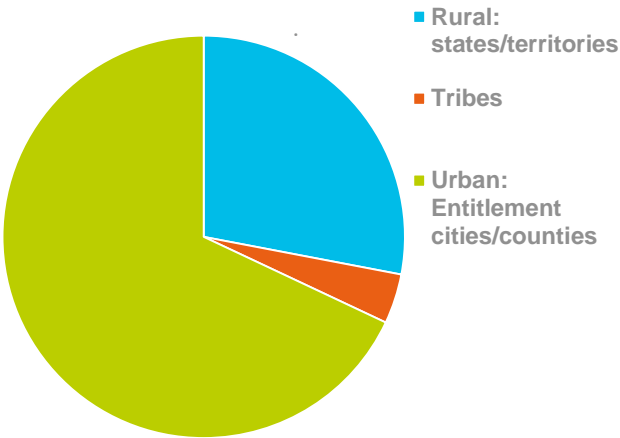
**CRIME VICTIMS
SAFETY**



**COMMUNITY
SERVICE**

Community Development Block Grant

- US Dept of Housing & Urban Development (HUD)
- National CDBG budget distribution
- Special CDBG allocations for federal disaster recovery



HUD Indian CDBG program

- Administered by HUD
- Contact: NW Office of Native American Programs
- 206.220.5270

Muckleshoot Housing Authority
Community Garden



Urban / entitlement CDBG programs

- Entitlement status based on population:
 - Cities 50,000+
 - Counties 200,000+
- 31 local CDBG programs in WA State
- Contact: city or county community development office

2019 CDBG allocations:

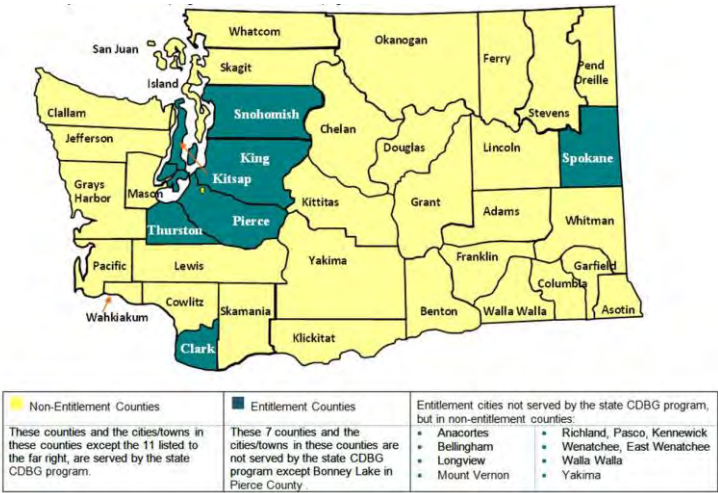
- Anacortes \$108,000
- Seattle \$9.3 million
- King County \$5.4 million

Rural / non-entitlement St CDBG program

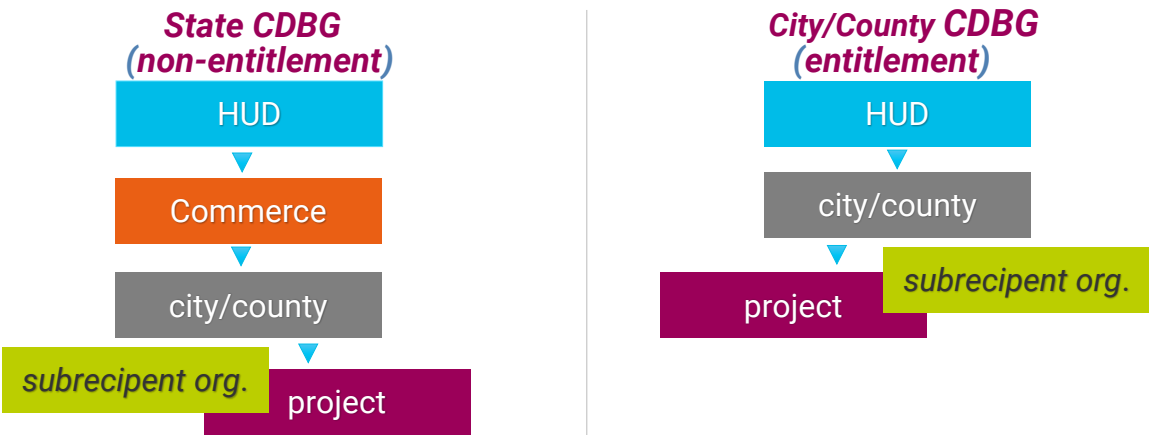
- State CDBG program administered by the State Dept of Commerce
- 193 rural cities/towns and counties can apply
- 2019 allocation: \$12 million



State CDBG vs Local CDBG Program Areas



CDBG flow of funds to projects



Each CDBG program has own application process

- **Each CDBG program will:**
 1. Assess needs and determine priorities
 2. Include community input
 3. Submit a 5-yr Plan and annual Action Plan to HUD
 4. Select projects for CDBG funding



CDBG eligible activities

Planning, acquisition, design and construction

- Public infrastructure
- Public or nonprofit facilities
- In support of some affordable housing or job creation projects

Local assistance programs

- Housing rehabilitation (including utility side services)
- Microenterprise assistance

Public services

CDBG ineligible activities

- Government executive and administrative buildings
- Facility operations and maintenance
- New housing construction
- Activities that can't comply with federal requirements



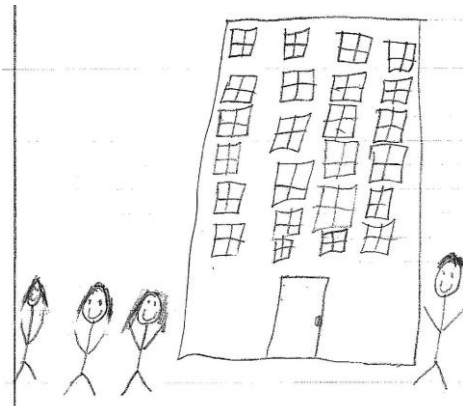
CDBG federal requirements

- Environmental Review (SEPA/NEPA)
- Procurement
- Davis-Bacon Prevailing Wage
- Civil Rights
- Acquisition and relocation (seller/tenant rights)
- Financial management and audit
- Subrecipient monitoring

CDBG purpose = benefit to LMI persons

LMI = low- and moderate-income

- Up to 80% of area median income
- Ex. \$51,450 four person family



Document benefit to LMI persons

Area benefit activities

- Define service area / pop.
- HUD data or
- Income survey



Direct benefit activities

- Define target LMI group or
- Use income qualification process



2 alternative CDBG objectives

- Doesn't require benefit to LMI
 - Used under limited circumstances:
1. Prevent or eliminate slum / blight
 2. Address immediate threat to public health & safety



Four WA State CDBG funds - *proposed*

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|--|---------------------|
| General Purpose Grants | \$10+ million |
| • Annual, competitive application | |
| Public Services Grants | \$1.5 million |
| • Formula distribution to counties/community action programs | |
| Housing Enhancement Grants | \$200,000 |
| • Supplements State Housing Trust Fund | |
| Economic Opportunity Grants | \$300,000 remaining |
| • Funds available basis | |

CDBG General Purpose Grant

Timeline

- March – workshops
- June – due date
- September – awards

CDBG Lead

- Jacquie Andresen

Max grant

- \$24,000 planning
- \$250,000 microenterprise
- \$500,000 housing rehab
- \$750,000 construction

CDBG General Purpose Grant

Rating Criteria

- Financial need for grant
- Impact to residents
- Local prioritization and plans
- Readiness
- Outcomes



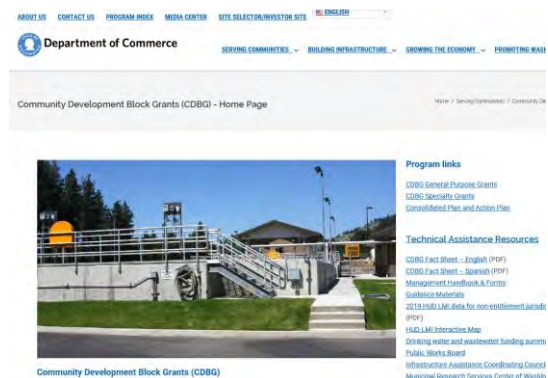
CDBG – recommended next steps

- **Determine project fit with CDBG**
 - Eligible activity, benefit to LMI, high need, ready
- **Develop project budget**
- **Est grant need using Rate Affordability Review form**
- **Research and apply to funding (loan) partners**
- **Visit Commerce/CDBG website for news and documents**
- **Attend CDBG application workshop in March**

More information at CDBG website

www.commerce.wa.gov/CDBG

- **Staff contact information**
- **Application handbooks**
- **Guidance materials**
- **Grant management handbook**
- **Program plans and reports**
- **Program news**
- **Resource links**



Thank you!

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