What are CDBG funds?

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds promote affordable housing, suitable living conditions, and economic opportunity primarily to benefit individuals with low to moderate income (LMI). CDBG funds are available for:

- Affordable Housing
- Economic Development (CDBG-ED)
- **Emergency Assistance**
- Planning (CDBG-PLNG)
- Public Facilities (CDBG-PF)
- Public Facilities Economic Development (CDBG-PFED)
- Rural Economic Area Development Initiative (CDBG-READI)

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Get Started Today

Applicants have 90 days from the date of the disaster event to apply for CDBG-EAP funds.

Awards are capped at $500,000, and cannot be used as a local match for other state or federal funding awards.

To apply, visit:

doa.wi.gov/Pages/LocalGovtsGrants/Community-Development-Block-Grant-Emergency-Assistance-Program-.aspx

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Community Development Block Grant

Emergency Assistance Program

Helping Communities Recover From Disaster Events

Emergency Assistance Program

The CDBG Emergency Assistance Program (EAP) funds assist local units of government in addressing public facility/ infrastructure, emergency housing, and business assistance needs resulting from natural or manmade disasters.

Public Facility/ Infrastructure Assistance

CDBG-EAP public facility assistance is available to communities where more than 50% of the population is low-to-moderate income (LMI) or where the activity will benefit LMI households.

Funds are awarded as a grant, requiring a 25% local match for the total project expense.

Eligible repair projects include:

- Curbs and gutters
- Water, sewer, and wastewater treatment facilities
- Streets and sidewalks
- Electrical systems

Ineligible projects:

- Government buildings
- Public works buildings
- Parks

Housing Rehabilitation Assistance

CDBG-EAP housing assistance is available to eligible homeowners and tenants whose primary residence has been damaged by a natural or manmade disaster. Funds are awarded as a grant.

Who can apply?

Local units of government—including counties, cities, towns, and villages—are eligible for assistance.

Individual homeowners or tenants must apply directly through their local municipal government.

Eligible repair projects include:*

- Foundations, façades, and roofs
- Electrical and HVAC repairs and replacements
- Water, sewer system, and water heater repairs

Ineligible projects:

- Repairs to vacation homes
- Repairs to storage sheds, outbuildings, and other non-dwelling units

*When necessary repairs exceed 51% of the pre-disaster Fair Market Value, acquisition/demolition/replacement of the home could occur.

Business Assistance

CDBG-EAP business assistance is available to eligible businesses that have been affected by a natural or manmade disaster. Funds may be awarded as a loan or a grant. To qualify, a business must demonstrate that:

- Damages are linked directly to a disaster event.
- They employ LMI individuals.
- CDBG-EAP assistance will result in creating new or maintaining existing LMI jobs.
- The project(s) benefit at least 51% of the LMI households in the community.

Eligible projects include:*

- Building, water system, and sewer/septic repairs
- Equipment repair/replacement
- Provision of working capital
- Other expenses not covered by insurance claims

Ineligible projects:

- Repairs to dwelling units
- Those that do not benefit at least 51% of the LMI households in the community.