



## Program Year 2023-2024 CDBG Questions & Answers

1. Is there a maximum amount that can be requested?
  - a. **No**, the City does not set a maximum request; however there is a minimum request of \$10,000. The City can choose to only grant part of a request and is required to stay within federal limits such as the maximum 15% of the allocation that can be awarded to Public Service activities.
  
2. What type of activities can be funded with CDBG?
  - a. The current City Priorities are as follows:
    - i. **Public Service Activities**: Public service activities carried out by non-profit organizations specifically benefiting LMI individuals or groups.
    - ii. **Public Improvements and Facilities**: These activities must be carried out by a municipal or governmental department
    - iii. **Housing Rehabilitation**: Provide construction and rehabilitation assistance for very low to moderate income homeowners and rental property owners through the City's revolving loan fund. Provide construction and rehabilitation assistance for Public Housing Modernization activities.
    - iv. **Affordable Housing**: Provide assistance to increase and preserve affordable housing opportunities for very low to moderate income renters, homeowners, first-time homebuyers, and those experiencing homelessness. This includes acquisition and slum and blight activities.
    - v. **Slum and Blight Removal**: Provide funding to remediate properties negatively affected by slum and blighted conditions. This will include clearance with the end goal of providing affordable housing opportunities and/or public facility improvements.
  
3. If our activity won't take place prior to July 1, 2024 can we still apply now?
  - a. **No**, the City is only awarding funds at this time for activities that will take place prior to July 1, 2024. We would encourage you to apply during the next funding cycle.
  
4. Can CDBG be used to fund an already operating Public Service?
  - a. **Yes**, if you are able to show that it is an expanding service or a quantifiable increase in service.
  
5. Can we apply for CDBG funding for an activity outside of the City of Great Falls?
  - a. **No**, as an entitlement community the City of Great Falls only funds activities within the city limits of Great Falls.