



What is CDBG?

Established as part of the Housing and Community Development Act in 1974, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program allocates funding directly to the State of Idaho and is administered by the Idaho Department of Commerce.

CDBG can assist cities and counties with the development and construction of public infrastructure and facilities projects. Cities and counties can sub-grant CDBG funds to special districts or non-profit agencies such as a water district or a non-profit senior association.

Funds are awarded based on several factors including percentage of local match, overall need, impact of the project, and readiness to proceed.

Photo above:
City of Moscow Fire Truck

Front cover:
American Falls Park Project

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Community Development
Block Grant (CDBG)



National Objectives

Project construction or improvement of public infrastructure or facilities must meet at least one of the national objectives to qualify for CDBG funding:

- Benefit at least 51% low-and moderate-income (LMI) persons.
- Help prevent or eliminate slum and blight conditions (for downtown projects only).
- Assist with resolving post-disaster infrastructure damage.

Note: Entitlement cities and government administrative offices do not qualify.

Left: Gooding County EMS Station

Right: Athol Water Tank Project



Funding Categories

JOB CREATION

Eligible projects include construction and improvements to public infrastructure or publicly regulated utilities that serve companies that will allow for new job creation.

Applications are due the third Monday in March, June, September and December.

Grant size is limited to \$30,000 per job with a maximum grant of \$500,000.

SENIOR & COMMUNITY CENTERS

Eligible projects include rehabilitation of existing or construction of new senior centers and community centers.

Applications are due the first Friday in March. Grant size is limited to \$250,000.

PUBLIC FACILITIES & INFRASTRUCTURE

Eligible projects include the construction or improvement to sewer and water systems, fire stations, medical facilities, domestic violence shelters, public infrastructure to support affordable housing and other public facilities.

Applications are due the Friday before Thanksgiving. Grant size is limited to \$500,000.

Examples: Construction of the Kids Klub youth facility in Grangeville, public infrastructure for affordable housing in Driggs and the acquisition of a fire truck for the city of Moscow.

PUBLIC PARKS

Eligible projects include the construction and improvements to public parks. Funding priority given to existing parks and focusing on improvements for ADA accessibility, playgrounds, splash pads, pools and courts.

Applications are due the third Monday in September. Grant size is limited to \$250,000.

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION

Eligible projects include the construction and improvement to a city's downtown to prevent slum and blight conditions and contribute to the revitalization of the downtown. Typical scope of work includes sidewalks, parking lots, lighting, ADA accessibility and surface water drainage.

Applications are due the Friday before Thanksgiving. Grant size is limited to \$500,000.

Examples of downtown revitalizations include the city of Kuna and Montpelier.

POST-DISASTER

CDBG can be used for construction or repair of damaged public infrastructure caused by a natural event creating a serious threat to the health and safety of a community.

Applications are due on an as-needed basis. Grant size is limited to \$150,000.

Example: Reinforcement of the city of Kooskia's sewer lagoon cell walls after it was damaged by an earthquake.