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**WHAT IS A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT?** The CDBG program is available for economic development public infrastructure, including construction of water lines, sanitary sewer lines, streets, roads, bridges, utilities, and parking facilities. Such activities must be directly related to the location, expansion, or retention of specific business (es) resulting in permanent job creation. Economic development planning grants also are available that would lead to a specific economic development project resulting in permanent job creation. Pre-application costs are **not** eligible.

**Grant for Land Acquisition, Clearance, and/or Rehabilitation:** Grants are available for the acquisition and assembly of real property, site preparation, site clearance and demolition involving the location, expansion, or retention of specific business(es) resulting in permanent job creation.

**WHO IS ELIGIBLE?** Priority is given to projects involving base manufacturing businesses. Funded activities must be eligible under the federal CDBG Act and qualify under the national objective where at least 51 percent of the jobs are held by low and moderate income people. Eligible applicants are local units of government (LGU) typically under 50,000 population. All projects must comply with applicable federal requirements for environmental review, labor standards, property acquisition and relocation, civil rights and equal opportunity, and grant and financial management.

**PROJECTS ARE EXPECTED TO MEET OR EXCEED EACH OF THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:**

	<u>MINIMUM PROJECT REQUIREMENTS</u>	<u>PREFERRED PROJECTS</u>
<b><u>Job Creation:</u></b>	At least 10 permanent full-time jobs must be created with starting average wage of \$7.00/hour or 70% of the County average, whichever is less.	Projects creating at least 25 permanent full-time jobs.
<b><u>Costs Per Job:</u></b>	Grant funding will not exceed \$10,000 per job.	Projects are more Competitive the lower the amount of grant funds per job.
<b><u>Leverage Ratio:</u></b>	The ratio of all private and public funds to grant funds must be 2:1.	Preference to projects With a leverage ratio that exceeds 5:1.
<b><u>Local Participation:</u></b>	The local gov't must contribute at least 10% of the public infrastructure or related costs.	Projects are more competitive the higher amount of local participation.