

Montana Department of Commerce Community Development Division CDBG-CV Funding Opportunity



- Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus
- The CARES act allocated this additional funding to states through HUD
- CDBG-CV funds must be used for activities that prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19
- 70% of the CDBG-CV funds must be used for activities that benefit low- and moderate-income individuals.

What is CDBG-CV?



- Montana received 3 allocations =\$10,174,175
- Available to counties, cities and towns
- Missoula, Great Falls & Billings are eligible for \$6,248,879 of the total funding
- Native American tribes, nonprofits and other entities must partner or be a subrecipient of funding through local governments

Funds and Eligibility



- Montana Department of Commerce has determined State CDBG-CV funds will be used to fund public facility, public services, and housing and homelessness assistance projects.
- CPDI, on behalf of the City of Missoula, would like to submit 3 applications
 - subaward to the Poverello Center
 - subaward to NeighborWorks Montana
 - Missoula Parks and Recreation



\$1,000,000 grant to partially fund the purchase and renovation of a motel, creating

- 20 single occupancy transitional housing units for Veterans experiencing homelessness,
- 10 -15 voucher-based permanent supportive housing units,
- as well as administrative offices, tenant community space, and laundry facilities.



Outcomes

- moves the Housing Montana Heroes program out of the current building
- expanded capacity for emergency shelter and medical respite programs
- access to stable, safe housing helps stop the spread of COVID-19

<u>Leverage</u>

This grant will be added to a \$1,000,000 grant from the Veteran's Administration and \$2,500,000 in City of Missoula and Missoula County ARPA funds that have already been secured.



\$1,300,000 grant for the Resident Owned Communities (ROC) program

- creates permanently affordable housing for low- and moderateincome residents by preserving existing manufactured home communities
- supports acquisition and preservation of at least 20 homes in Missoula



Manufactured home communities are at significant risk of redevelopment leaving residents without affordable housing options.

Any displacement from stable housing significantly increases risk of exposure to COVID-19 and can increase community spread.

ROC program residents purchase and operate their communities, creating stable and affordable places residents are proud to call home.



Funding to transform Missoula's Downtown Lion's Park (DLP) into a community hub that is safe, inclusive, supports community pride, and enhances public safety.

- DLP's service area is designated as a low-moderate income (LMI) neighborhood
- DLP is in an established Urban Renewal District



The Northside/Westside Neighborhood is identified as one of the three neighborhoods with some of the largest barriers to mental and physical health and having persistent poverty and crime (CHIP 2018).

The neighborhood has approximately 9,000 residents.

- 30% of neighborhood residents live in poverty
- 16% childhood obesity rate
- 8.3% of neighborhood residents identify as non-white
- one of the highest populations of Native Americans in the City of Missoula



Transforming DLP

- creates an inclusive and accessible park that supports community pride and highlights the identity of American Indians
- enhance access and safety of nonmotorized routes for persons utilizing LMI services in the area
- provides a safe and accessible public space vital to mental and physical wellbeing while allowing outdoor recreation and Covid-19 social distancing



If the Poverello Center and NeighborWorks Montana projects are funded, the City of Missoula would issue subawards.

- Non-profit "owns" their project, City holds responsibility for the award and reporting
- Application allows up to 10% administrative costs in the budget



The City of Missoula can submit multiple CDBG-CV applications by October 7th, but we must prioritize applications.