

STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING



CDBG Small Cities Bulletin

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To: Small Cities Grantees and Interested Parties

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From: Miguel A. Rivera, Director, Housing and Community Development

Subject: Announcement of 2024 Small Cities Competitive Funding Round

The State of Connecticut Department of Housing's Community Development Division is pleased to announce the CDBG Small Cities funding availability for the program year 2024-2025. Approximately 13 million dollars in funding is expected from HUD to the State of Connecticut.

All application details and requirements for submittal will be explained in an application workshop to be held at:

Date: Tuesday, March 26, 2024 Time: 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Location: Online Microsoft Teams Application

Link to be provided.

This is a competitive application round. All applications must be submitted electronically no later than 11:59 p.m. on Friday, May 31, 2024. A link to a secured portal will be provided for all applications. Please note that only complete applications will be accepted and scored, and one (1) application per town will be accepted.

Who Should Attend? Communities (with less than 50,000 residents) with an eligible activity* are encouraged to apply for this funding opportunity. This is a mandatory workshop. The town staff person(s) directly involved with the grant and CDBG consultants (i.e., Certified Grant Administrators) are <u>required</u> to attend the workshop in its entirety.

*Eligible activities include, but are not limited to, Public Housing Modernization in support of the State-Sponsored Housing Portfolio and Infra-Structure in Support of Affordable Housing. The workshop will consist of the Small Cities application process, including eligible categories, national objectives, citizen participation/public hearing components, award limits per category, HUD and OIG comments, environmental review, floodplain management, procurement procedures, technical compliance and assistance, fair housing, lead/radon practices, and Davis Bacon.

To register, please complete the Registration Form. Registration closes on **March 20, 2024**, by COB. If you have any questions, please direct them to Ivette Delgado at Ivette.delgado@ct.gov.

For further information, kindly refer to the 2024 Small Cities Application Handbook (available soon) for the Citizen Participation requirements for this grant.