

# **DCEO Community Development Block Grant**

## **Program Description**

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program enables local governments to undertake a wide range of activities intended to create suitable living environments, provide decent affordable housing and create economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income.

## **Process for Making Awards**

The State will prepare an action plan amendment once HUD has provided guidance on eligible . Priority is will be given to projects that can award contracts based on bids within 120 days of the grant agreement.

## **Eligible Applicants**

Eligible applicants include units of general local government

**State Program Allocation for ARRA: \$8,585,276**

# **DCEO Community Development Homelessness Prevention Fund**

## **Program Description**

Provide financial assistance and services to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and help those who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized. Activities include ; short-term or medium-term rental assistance and housing relocation and stabilization services, mediation, credit counseling, security or utility deposits, utility payments, moving cost assistance, and case management.

## **Process for Making Awards**

The State has not received Guidance from HUD on how the funds can be used. Once this is established; DCEO will publish the process for making.

## **Eligible Applicants**

Has not yet been defined by HUD

**States Allocation for ARRA: \$20,286,504**

# Community Services Block Grant

## Program Description

The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) program is designed to provide a range of services which assist low-income people to attain skills, knowledge and motivation necessary to achieve self-sufficiency. The program also may provide low-income people immediate life necessities such as food, shelter, medicine, etc. DCEO anticipates that CSBG stimulus funding will be used to perform these same activities.

## Process for Making Award

The state will prepare an action plan amendment once the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has provided guidance on this funding. Federal law requires that CSBG funding be awarded to 36 designated Community Action Agencies (CAA) located throughout Illinois.

## Eligible Applicants

Low-income individuals at or below 200% of the federal poverty level. Individuals are required to apply for services at the CAA in their area

State Program Allocation: **regular \$30,000,000**

**stimulus \$47,000,000**

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