CITY OF LEBANON

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

July 1,2025 - June 30, 2026

APPLICATIONS DUE FRIDAY, April 25, 2025

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I. CDBG PROGRAM SUMMARY AND GUIDELINES

Background

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program was created through Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. HUD awards grants to communities to carry out a wide range of community development activities directed toward revitalizing neighborhoods, economic development, and providing improved community facilities and services. Individual communities are allowed to develop their own programs and funding priorities with public input. The City of Lebanon's Consolidated Plan describes the programs and funding priorities established locally for the five-year period, 2025-2029. An Action Plan is prepared annually to implement the Consolidated Plan. Communities are required to give maximum feasible priority to the three categories of activities that are referred to as the "CDBG National Objectives"; they are:

National Objective #1: Activities that Benefit Low-and Moderate-Income Persons (570.208(a))

- ❖ <u>Subcategory No. 1: Area Benefit Activities</u>- this subcategory criteria is met in an activity, benefiting only area residents, is undertaken in a service area where at least 51% of residents have incomes within 80% of the Area Median.
- Subcategory No. 2: Limited Clientele Activities- this subcategory criterion is met if the activity is designed to benefit a specific group of people and they are either documented or presumed to be LMI persons.
- Subcategory No. 3: Housing Activities The criteria for LMI benefit is met to the extent that units are occupied by LMI persons upon completion. It covers both rental and owner-occupied units.
- Subcategory No. 4: Job Creation or Retention-The LMI benefits must meet one of the following three criteria:
 - The neighborhood where jobs are created is in a LMI area; or
 - > The business being assisted predominantly serves LMI persons; or
 - The jobs created or retained are available or filled by LMI persons

National Objective #2: Activities to Prevent or Eliminate Slums and Blight (570.208(b))

- ❖ <u>Subcategory No. 1: Addressing slums/blight on an area basis</u>- The grantee must officially designate the area as blighted, deteriorated, or deteriorating under State or local legal definitions and there must be evidence of blight or decay.
- Subcategory No. 2: Addressing slums/blight on a spot basis The activity must prevent the spread of blight to adjacent properties or areas and there are limited eligible activities within this subcategory.
- Subcategory No. 3: Addressing slums/blight in an Urban Renewal Area: This subcategory would allow grantees to complete unfinished Urban Renewal in a project area.

National Objective No. 3: Activities to Meet Urgent Community Development Needs: This category is met if an activity meets all of the following:

- The situation poses a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and
- It is of recent origin or recently became urgent, and
- It is unable to be corrected with other sources of funds.

The City accepts applications for funding of its CDBG funds on a competitive basis to eligible outside agencies for specific eligible activities that meet one or more of the above CDBG National Objectives and that will further the City's CDBG goals and objectives, as stated in the 2025 – 2029 Consolidated Plan.

Application Filing Procedures

All applications must be submitted by mail or hand-delivered no later than <u>4:00 p.m. on</u> <u>Friday, April 25, 2025.</u>

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Applications delivered after 4:00 p.m. or postmarked after the above deadline will not be considered for funding. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the application is delivered or postmarked on time.

Eligible Applicants

- 1. Applicants must be incorporated for profit, nonprofit, or public organizations or businesses able to undertake the approved activity within the boundaries of the City of Lebanon.
- 2. Applicants must demonstrate the financial management and programmatic expertise to successfully develop, design, implement and monitor the proposed activities. This expertise can be demonstrated through previous experience in successfully developing projects similar to the one proposed, either by partners or key staff within the business or organization.
- 3. Applicants must be able to meet other federal requirements relative to the CDBG program, specifically those concerning equal opportunity and fair housing, affirmative marketing, environmental review, displacement, relocation, and acquisition, labor, lead-based paint, conflict of interest, debarment and suspension, and flood insurance. Federal requirements include those listed in CFR Title 24, Part 570. All applicants should be aware that additional federal requirements apply.

CDBG ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

CDBG funds must be used for activities that meet a **CDBG National Objective**. As described earlier, the National Objectives for the CDBG Program are to support activities that: 1) provide primary benefit to lower-income persons or households; 2) aid in the elimination of slums or blight; or 3) meet other identified community development needs having a particular urgency. Eligible <u>activities</u> may include, but are not limited to:

Acquisition/Disposition: The use of CDBG funds to acquire real property, in whole or in part, by purchase, long-term lease, donation, or otherwise, for any public purpose. Real property to be acquired may include: land, air rights, easements, water rights, right-of-ways, buildings and other property improvements, or other interests in real property.

Demolition/Clearance: Clearance, demolition, and removal of buildings and improvements including movement of structures to other sites.

Economic Development Activities: Economic development activities may include, but are not limited to: (1) Construction by the grantee or sub-recipient of a business incubator designed to provide inexpensive space and assistance to new firms to help them become viable businesses, (2) Loans to pay for the expansion of a factory or commercial business, and (3) Providing training needed by persons on welfare to enable them to qualify for jobs created by CDBG-assisted special economic development activities. The level of public benefit to be derived from the economic development activity must be appropriate given the amount of CDBG assistance.

Rehabilitation: Rehabilitation related activities may include single-family rehabilitation, multi-family rehabilitation, energy efficiency improvements, public housing modernization, and rehabilitation of commercial properties.

Relocation: CDBG funds may be used for relocation payments and assistance to displaced persons, including individuals, families, businesses, non-profits, and farms, where **r**equired under section 570.606 of the regulations (pursuant to the Uniform Relocation Act).

Public Facilities/Improvements: CDBG funds may be used by the grantee or other public or private nonprofit entities for the acquisition (including long term leases for periods of 15 years or more), construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation (including removal of architectural barriers to accessibility), or installation, of public improvements or facilities. Buildings for the general conduct of government cannot be acquired or improved with CDBG funds. This includes neighborhood facilities, firehouses, schools, and libraries, as well as water and/or sewer treatment plants. The regulations further specify that facilities that are designed for use in providing shelter for persons having special needs are considered to be public facilities.

Public Services: CDBG funds may be used to provide public services (including labor, supplies, and materials), provided that each of the following criteria is met: 1) The public service must be either a new service or a quantifiable increase in the level of service; and 2) The amount of CDBG funds obligated within a program year to support public service activities under this category may not exceed 15% of the City's allocation and the total public services of all Sub-recipients may not exceed 15% of the total grant awarded.

Planning: Includes studies, analysis, data gathering, preparation of plans, and identification of actions that will implement plans. The types of plans which may be paid for with CDBG funds include, but are not limited to: Comprehensive plans; Individual project plans; Community development plans, Capital improvement programs; Small area and neighborhood plans; Environmental and historic preservation studies; and Functional plans (such as plans for housing, land use, energy conservation, or economic development).

Homeownership Assistance: Homeownership assistance activities may include financial assistance for down-payments, closing costs or other part of the purchase process and counseling for pre-purchase, post-purchase or foreclosure.

Please Note: Although an activity may be deemed eligible for CDBG funding, it does not guarantee funding. The Community Development Needs for the CDBG Program in the Comprehensive Plan sets forth the priority of needs and as such, dictates which types of eligible activities may be funded in a given year. CDBG funds may NOT be used for costs attributable to a building used for the general conduct of government or used for political activities.

Ineligible Activities/Costs

Generally, the following types of <u>activities</u> are ineligible:

- Activities not meeting a National Objective;
- Acquisition, construction, or reconstruction of buildings for the general conduct of government;
- Except for the removal of architectural barriers
- Political activities
- Certain income payments; and
- General government expenses
- Purchase of equipment (including construction equipment), furnishings and personal property, except when used in carrying out an eligible Public Service activity
- Operating and maintenance expenses associated with public facilities
- New housing construction, unless carried out by a Community Based Development Organization
- Income payments to families or individuals

Generally, the following types of <u>costs</u> are ineligible for funding:

- Any costs not directly related to the implementation of the activity described in the approved application;
- Costs incurred prior to an executed contract or after the expiration of the CDBG contract; and
- Administrative costs that are considered excessive or unreasonable.
- Costs incurred prior to the completion of an Environmental Review

Objectives and Outcomes

Identify one objective and one outcome for the proposed activity. To determine the most appropriate outcome for an activity, ask: "What type of change or result am I seeking?"

Outcome Objective	Availability/ Accessibility	Affordability	Sustainability
Suitable Living Environment	Public Service activities Funded to provide access To a suitable living Environment. Example: An after school Program designed to address crime or juvenile delinquency in a target neighborhood	Public Service activities funded to support housing opportunities in a target neighborhood. Example: A housing counseling program	Public service activity aimed at improving communities or neighborhoods. Example: Community policing program
Decent Housing	Public service activities funded to assist LMI individuals/households. Example: Fair housing counseling program	Public service activities funded to make housing affordable. Example: Energy conservation training or education program focused on reducing energy costs to LMI people	Public service activities funded to sustain housing in neighborhoods. Example: Housing counseling program for LMI homeowner to help avoid predatory lending.
Economic Opportunity	Public service activities funded to provide access to economic opportunities Example: Operating costs for a job training program, literacy program	Public service activities funded to support economic opportunities Example: Free job training program for LMI people	Public service activities funded to sustain economic opportunities. Example: Child care program or day care or health services

II. CDBG PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

CDBG Contract

Following the City's approval of the FY 2025 CDBG activities and completion of the HUD review, staff will prepare CDBG contracts for all approved activities. Each contract will contain the terms and conditions of the CDBG funding, a description of the approved activity and costs, and will specify applicable City insurance requirements including comprehensive property and general liability, workers' compensation, and vehicle coverage. Contracts will also include the measurable objectives and accomplishment data that must be reported. The person designated by resolution will be required to sign the CDBG contract and return it to the City. Prior to contracts being executed, all sub-recipients must meet with CDBG staff to review the contract and accomplishment reporting.

Payment of CDBG Funds

CDBG funds are paid for actual costs directly related to the implementation of the project as approved. Payment will be made only for costs described in the applicant's contract upon submittal of payment request and all required documentation (i.e. receipts, invoices, accomplishment reports, etc.) is received and approved by the City. While every effort is made to ensure timely payments, this procedure may take two to four weeks from time of reimbursement request.

Reporting Requirements and Monitoring

Note that it is the City staff's responsibility to ensure all entities receiving CDBG funds are in compliance with HUD regulations. Recipients must provide all information requested to assist in CDBG staff documentation in a timely manner.

CDBG recipients shall be required to submit a **monthly** progress report regarding the funded activity. Noncompliance could result in suspension or termination of the contract and reallocation of the CDBG funds. Noncompliance will also be considered when applicants request future funding.

In addition, CDBG staff may schedule periodic on-site monitoring of all funded activities. Each CDBG recipient is responsible for maintaining written records required by the CDBG contract.

UEI Number Requirement

The federal government requires organizations to provide a UEI number as part of their grant applications and proposals.

What is a UEI number?

A Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) is a unique number assigned to all entities (public and private companies, individuals, institutions, or organizations) who register to do business with the federal government. (U.S. General Services Administration). UEI numbers are obtained from www.sam.gov.

Why does my organization have to provide it?

The federal government's Office of Management & Budget has adopted the use of UEI numbers as a way to keep track of how federal grant money is awarded and dispersed.

Do all grant applications have to have a UEI number?

All organizational applicants are required to provide their UEI number. Individuals are exempt.

What is the easiest way to get a UEI number if my organization needs one?

If you are not registered in SAM.gov, create a new registration by clicking on the "Get Started" link under the "Register Your Entity..." heading in SAM.gov. Grantees, (e.g., entities applying for a grant), that are not already registered in SAM.gov must complete the full "Register Entity" registration option and NOT the abbreviated "Get a Unique Entity ID" option. The "Get a Unique Entity ID" option, which is not a full registration, is only available to entities that do not wish to apply for a federal grant. Failing to complete the "Register Entity" option may result in loss of funding, loss of applicant eligibility, and/or delays in receiving a grant award.

- **A. Additional Information –** Any other information that would be helpful to the funding commission may be attached to the Application Narrative.
 - ✓ Double check your application to make sure everything is included and in the order prescribed. Be sure to complete all questions. If you have questions, please contact the CDBG department for technical assistance!

LEBANON, PA CDBG
Program Application
Must submit original and one (1) copy
Due: Friday, April 25, 2025 no later than 4:00 P.M.

No late or incomplete applications will be accepted				
EXHIBIT A: Application Cover Sheet				
	For Office Use Only			
Date Received:	Amount Requested:\$	Amount Recommended:\$		
Agency Name and Address: Name, title, and telephone # of contact person:		t person:		
		DUNS#		
Type of Application:	New Continuation			
Project Title:				
Location of Proposed Project:				
Brief Description of Project (what is	to be funded):			
Project Funding		Category of Proposal Submitted		
•		□Public Facilities & Improvements □Public Services		
Applicant Funds \$				
Other (Specify) \$		☐Housing ☐Economic Development		
Program Income \$		Acquisition		
TOTAL \$				
THIS PROJECT PROPOSAL HAS E	BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVE			
AND THE APPLICANT WILL CO	MPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANC	E IF ASSISTANCE IS AWARDED.		
Typed Name and Title of Authori	zed Representative:			
Telephone Number:				
Signature of Authorized Representa	ative:			
Date Signed:				

LEBANON, PENNSYLVANIA

2025 CDBG APPLICATION

- 1. Complete this application by typing into the appropriate areas. Check all boxes as you complete each section, if not applicable indicate N/A in the box. You may use additional paper to complete application. If you are applying for more than one activity, a separate application must be provided for each activity.
- Submit an original and one (1) copy of the application. You may hand deliver or mail to: City of Lebanon Community Development Office, Lebanon City Hall, 735 Cumberland Street, Lebanon, PA 17042 no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 25, 2025. No late applications will be accepted!
- 3. Applications generally fall into two general categories:
 - 1. Public facilities and improvement projects or
 - 2. <u>Public services</u>, <u>Economic Development and Housing</u>. Some of the questions will be divided into two sections depending upon which category applies to your proposed Project. Fill out the section that applies to your project only.
- 4. Prior to consideration each application must meet the following criteria:
 - meet a HUD national objective

☐ Audit Requirements (if applicable)

agency. State

- be a HUD-eligible Activity
- must fit HUD Objectives, Outcomes, and Indicators
- Provide a Specific Performance Measurement Statement
- Comply with the City of Lebanon 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan.

Section I. ORGANIZATIONAL SUMMARY: Please provide an overview of the
organization applicant that is requesting CDBG funds.
Required Attachments (Please place in this order)
☐ List of Board of Directors
Organizational Chart
Resume of program administrator
☐ Resume of fiscal officer
Tax Exemption Determination Letter
Articles of Incorporation
Resolution (See Exhibit A – Sample Resolution
□ By-Laws
□ Equal Opportunity Employment Statement & Grievance Procedure
☐ Financial statement and/or most recent audit

☐ Statement of Insurance - State whether or not the agency has liability and property insurance coverage, in what amount, and with what insuring

whether or not the agency pays all payroll taxes and worker's compensation as required by Federal and State Law. State whether or not the agency has fidelity bond coverage for principal staff that handle the agency's accounts, in what amount, and with what insuring agency.

In accordance with the Office of Management and Budget Circulars A-133, A-128 (Urgent Need), and A-110, Non-Federal entities that expend \$500,000 or more in Federal awards shall have a single audit conducted each year. However, agencies expending less than \$500,000 per year, must maintain records for review or audit by appropriate officials of the Federal agency, pass-through entity, and General Accounting Office. Agencies requesting \$500,000 or more must choose one of the three following ways of meeting this requirement and state which method they choose:

If the agency already conducts audits of all its funding sources including CDBG, the agency must submit a copy of its most recent audit and may, at its discretion, include the CDBG portion of the audit cost in its CDBG project budget.

If the agency already conducts audits of its other funding sources but has neither received nor included CDBG in the past, the scope of the audit would be modified to incorporate CDBG audit requirements. The associated cost of the augmentation could then be included in the CDBG project budget, accompanied by the auditor's written cost estimate.

If the agency is required to submit an audit and does not have a current audit process in place, the agency will be required to include a 10% set-aside in the CDBG project budget for the provision of an audit.

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A. <u>PUBLIC SERVICES, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING PROGRAM DESCRIPTION (Public Facilities and Improvement Projects, see Section II B.)</u> Describe your public service or housing program. Include:

- Description of program. If a housing program, describe the type of rehabilitation project, how it will be managed, the number of units expected to be accomplished etc.
- Length of time the applicant has provided these program or services
- Eligible costs for public services (the FIRST TIME it is funded) must be either for
 - a. A new service; or
 - b. A quantifiable increase in the level of a service.
 - 1. The amount of funds provided by the City during the 12 months prior to the submission of the applicable Action Plan is used in making this determination.
- Names and job titles of staff members who will administer program
- Frequency and duration of the program services (*Example*: Each participant attends class twice a week for a total of 24 weeks; each class is two hours in duration)
- Start and end date of program.
- How will you monitor and evaluate the quality and outcomes of services or project? (Example: staff management and training, quality assurance programs, client feedback, evaluation plans etc.)

Section II B. <u>PUBLIC FACILITIES OR IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS</u> <u>DESCRIPTION AND WORKPLAN</u>: Describe the proposed project or activity. Include

- Description of project or activity, location etc.
- If the project is the rehabilitation of a public facility, describe the condition of the
 present building, square footage, rehabilitation challenges, scope of the project
 etc. Why does the facility need improvement? Is the facility an historic building?
 Has this facility utilized CDBG funding in the past? Will additional funding for
 this project be requested in the future?

- If the facility is a City park, please discuss the condition of the park in general.
 Why does the park need improvement? Have CDBG funds been used on this park in the past? Will additional funding for this park be requested in the future?
- If funds are being requested for infrastructure improvements, please address the linear feet of roads, sidewalks that will be constructed and where they will be located. Why were these particular areas chosen?
- If acquisition or demolition, please discuss the reasons for acquisition or demolition. What is the nature of the property (e.g. occupied, vacant building, vacant lot) What is the current access to the site. If properties have been chosen, are there any liens on the property? What is the planned use for the site? What is the timeline for acquisition or demolition? Will the proposed activity involve relocation of tenants or residents?
- If emergency relocation, please describe the services which will be funded and the need for those services.

Section III A. PUBLIC SERVICE	CES. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND
HOUSING COMMUNITY BENEFIT	: If a Public Facilities / Improvement Project -
proceed to Section III B.	-

Describe the public benefit that your program / project will provide. If you provide services to low- and moderate income clients (applies to most public services and housing programs) your clients must be at least 51% low-and moderate income.

- Describe your intended client demographics using as much hard census data as possible. Will they be 51% low-and-moderate income? How will you track this?
 - If your program primarily serves a neighborhood, provide an overview of your neighborhood demographics
 - Estimate the total number of clients you will serve.
 - Given you budget, what is the CDBG cost per client?
 - Estimate the percentage of Lebanon residents served.
 - How will clients be recruited for the program?
 - How will you track client satisfaction and/or progress?
- Discuss your system for monitoring and evaluating the quality and outcomes of services provided (e.g. staff management and training, quality assurance programs, client feedback, evaluation plans)
- How are you collaborating with other service providers within the community?
- Given the array of social service programs, describe what processes are used to avoid duplication of effort.

☐ Section III B. <u>PUBLIC FACILITIES / IMPROVEMENT COMMUNITY BENEFIT</u>: If your project will benefit an identified service area where 51% of the service area's users are 51% low- and moderate-income (examples: a community park used primarily by residents who are 51% low-and moderate-income;, neighborhood sidewalks used primarily by residents in a low-and moderate income census tract neighborhood):

- Describe the nature of the activity and its <u>exact service area</u>. If this is a park or fire-house, which Census Tracts and Blocks will it serve? BE SPECIFIC! Identify the neighborhood, street location, and census tract/block of the project. Remember the service area may not only be the neighborhood, but may also be areas of additional neighborhood. The service area is not just where this project is located...but the areas where the users or those who benefit from the project actually live. For example, a firehouse may be located in the Plot, but those who benefit may live in other census tracts in other neighborhoods. All benefiting census tracts and blocks must be listed!
- How does your service area meet the 51% low- and moderate-income requirement? (Remember service areas are areas served by the project, not necessarily the immediate area surrounding the project)
- If benefit of this project is the removal of spot slum or blight, please identify.
- How does the project improve the quality of life for low-and moderate- income residents?

If your project removes or prevents slum and blight in a particular spot or in a generally blighted area:

- If removal of slum and blight by area, please define the area's boundaries and discuss
 - The area's blighted nature and how your project will alleviate those conditions.
- If removal of slum and blight on a spot basis, describe how this project will be a benefit to the community on a singular basis

Section IV. BUDGET NARRATIVE: Describe:

- How your program/project will use CDBG funds.
- An explanation of each CDBG budget line item indicated on your itemized budget

(Note: There are two different budget forms. Please use the budget specific to your type of application. Justify the need for each item, the relevance and the cost effectiveness of the requested item for the successful implementation of the program/project.

 Section V. <u>UNMET NEEDS:</u> Describe: How does your program or project meet needs that would not be met by the City or outside providers if this project were not funded by CDBG? How would you judge the priority of this program in terms of Lebanon's needs? If a public service or housing program, describe how your program collaborates with similar service providers in Lebanon in meeting these needs?
Section VI. <u>LEVERAGING OF OTHER FUNDS</u> :
Indicate what other federal, state, city or private funds will be used in this project.
 Indicate sources to which you have committed, already applied to, or plan to apply for funding before July 1, 2025.
 If CDBG funds are the sole source of funds, explain why.
What will be the impact if your project/program is not awarded funds?What percentage of your budget does CDBG funding comprise?
Section VII. NATIONAL CDBG OBJECTIVE: (See page 2 for explanation of National Objective. Check one of the following:
□ Benefits low - and moderate- income persons (less than 80% of area median income) in terms of clients (public services programs), area benefit (most public facilities and improvement projects, low-moderate income housing or jobs
Aids in the prevention or elimination of slum and blight (demolition, acquisition) whether on a spot or area basis
☐ Meets an urgent need or imminent threat (natural disaster)
Section VIII. ELIGIBLE CDBG ACTIVITY: How does your program or project meet a common eligible activity? Identify and explain from the listed located on page 4:
Section IX. <u>CDBG OBJECTIVES, OUTCOMES AND INDICATORS</u> : HUD now requires that each program or project funded meet one of the objectives, outcomes and indicators found on page 6.
Objective: Check One:
Creates a Suitable Living Environment (addresses issues in the living environment or community)
Decent Housing
Crostos Economio Onnortunitios

Outcome: Check One Improve/increase Availability or Accessibility (creates or increases a service, makes a service or facility or improvement available or accessible or available) Affordability (e.g. provides affordability through reduced costs, subsidies etc.) Sustainability (aims at programs or activities providing multiple and varied services to a neighborhood in order to make it sustainable on a number of levels) <u>Indicator: How project or program progress will be measured)</u> Check One Number of persons assisted Number of households assisted Number of housing units created or rehabilitated Number of businesses assisted Number of jobs created or retained Acreage, square foot, or linear footage of infrastructure improvements Number of homeless persons assisted; homeless sheltered; homeless receiving permanent housing Number of commercial facades improved or commercial structures rehabilitated Number of persons assisted with new or improved access to a public facility or infrastructure or number of persons that no longer only have access to a substandard facility or infrastructure Number of acres of Brownfield's assisted Section X. PERFORMANCE OUTCOME MEASUREMENT STATEMENT: HUD requires a Program Performance Outcome Measurement Statement. Using the above objectives, outcomes and indicators create a statement that applies to your project or program following the models below.

Sample: Outcome Measurement Statement: With improved access to after-school recreation programs for the purpose of creating a suitable living environment, fifty low to moderate income youth will have improved physical health and social skills

Sample: With improved **affordable** free roofing repair to their homes for the purpose of providing **decent housing, thirty households** will have retained their homes by the number of roofs completed.

Sample: With improved **access/availability** to pedestrian transportation for the purpose of creating a **suitable living environment** –in a particular neighborhood, **10,000 linear feet** of neighborhood sidewalks were constructed.

Section XI: <u>COMPLIANCE WITH LEBANON'S CONSOLIDATED PLAN</u> : How does your program meet one or more of the stated 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan Goals? Complete the Certification of Consistency with the Consolidate Plan found under Section XVIII of this application.
Section XII. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW REQUIREMENTS:
As part of CDBG requirements prior to the Release of Funds being issued (which allows contracts to be executed) an Environmental Review Record must be completed. Most of our recently funded activities have been classified, by their nature, as either Categorically Excluded or Exempt. With these activities we are not required to complete an environmental assessment. Occasionally CDBG funds an activity that does require a complete environmental assessment.
To comply with CDBG regulations, these environmental assessments must be received by CDBG staff no later than October 15 th of the funding year.
 If project involves a building / facility rehabilitation, is the building or facility on the National Register of Historic Places. Is it part of a local historic district?
What year was the building constructed? What was its prior use?
 Does the Department have any information concerning previous or existing environmental conditions on site? If so, provide a description. Identify any key environmental studies that have been initiated or completed to satisfy NEPA.
 Has the Department already completed any site remediation and/or abatement activities at this site? If so, provide a description. If awarded CDBG funds, a copy of the final closure reports must be provided.
Section XIII: DAVIS BACON REQUIREMENT/BONDS
CDBG assisted projects with a total cost of \$2,000+ are required to pay Davis-Bacon Wages (Federal Prevailing/Union Wage Rates). Davis-Bacon Wages add 40% to the labor cost. Have you taken this into account in the budget? Yes \(\subseteq \text{No} \subseteq \)
Have you taken the required bond to the cost of the project in the budget (15%)? Yes \(\subseteq \text{No} \subseteq \)

Section XIV: ITEMIZED BUDGET FOR PUBLIC SERVICES, ECONOMIC	C DEVELOPMENT OR HOUSING
PROPOSALS. Prepare a line item budget that depicts total costs associ	ated with the program. Include all
sources of funding and indicate whether funds are committed or pending.	The Itemized Budget must cover
the funding period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.	

INCOME (ALL SOURCES OF FUNDING)	TOTAL INCOME
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TOTAL PROGRAM INCOME	

EXPENSES (DETAIL LINE ITEM)	CDBG EXPENSES	OTHER EXPENSES	TOTAL EXPENSES
Total Program Expenses			

SECTION XV: ITEMIZED BUDGET FOR PUBLIC FACILITIES AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Indicate All Sources Of Funding (required)	Amount	Committed
CDBG (Requested)		
TOTAL FUNDING	\$	\$

(Include all Sources of funds and project costs below)

(Include all Sources of funds and project costs below)	60.00	2.1	
Project Budget Line Items (required)	CDBG	Other	Total
General Construction			
New Construction			
Renovations			
Landscaping/Planting			
Infrastructure/Site Preparation			
Roads & Streets			
Parking			
Sidewalks			
Lighting			
Demolition			
Excavation/Grading			
Environmental Cleanup Mitigation			
Machinery & Equipment			
New Equipment Purchase			
Installation/Building Modification			
Vehicles			
Professional Services (15% of the project cost)			
Engineering			
Inspections			
Architectural			
Consultants			
Legal Costs			
Environmental Assessment			
Contingencies			
Promotion/Public Relations/Advertising			
Printing of Specifications, Drawings & Project Manuals			
Legal advertising			
Audit costs			
Other			
Subtotal	\$	\$	\$

Project Budget Line Items (continued)	CDBG	Other	Total
General Conditions			
Mobilization			
Bonds			
Permits			
Temporary Protection			
Dumpster, Etc.			
Not CDBG Eligible unless Permanently affixed			
Equipment			
Furnishings			
Other			
Contingencies			
5% of above costs			
Other Expenses			
Other			
Subtotal	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL	\$	\$	\$

Basis of Costs (check appropriate items below)				
Appraisals	Engineer Estimates	Bids/Quotations		
Contractor Estimates	Other Justification			
Project Narrative (required)				

Attach a comprehensive description of this project. The narrative must specifically address each cost item identified in the project budget. The narrative must include the following information to qualify.

- 1. Identify problems being addressed with funding by providing improvements
- 2. Detailed project description
- 3. Project schedule, timelines and dates to address specific problems
- 4. Documentation to support budget costs.
- 5. Environmental impacts if applicable by project.

Failure to provide all necessary information may disqualify application for CDBG funding

Sec	ction X	(VI: Equal Opportunity / Accessib	oility Certification	
1. praction		the applicant have written employn cluding equal opportunity guideline		
	а.	If no, use the space below to brief	ily explain.	
2.		proposed facility or program acces YesNo	sible to persons with	disabilities?
acces	a. sible?	If no, is the proposed activity desi	gned to make the pro	gram/facility fully
are, o	b. r will b	If no, use the space below to brief e accommodated:	ly please how handic	apped clients/users
		Acquisition and	<u>Relocation</u>	
1.	Does	the applicant own the property?	Yes NA	No
2.	If no,	does the applicant lease the prope	rty?Yes _ NA	No
	From	Whom?	For How Long?	_
3. owner		answered no to the first two questi contact information below:	ons, please list the pr	roperty's current
4.	Will th	ne proposed activity require real pro	pperty acquisition or e	easements?
5. reloca		ne proposed activity result in either households/businesses?	•	ary displacement of No

If you answered "yes" to either question 4 or 5, you must comply with the provisions of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended (the "Act"). Please contact our office so that one our CDBG program administrators can discuss the implications of the Act on your proposed activity.

Program Income

1.	Program Income shall	be reported to the City on a Monthly Reimburs	ement Report
and s	hall be used solely to o	ffset the operating expenses of the activities fur	nded through
the A	greement with the City.	Program income is subject to all provisions of	the
Agree	ement, and must be exp	pended prior to requesting reimbursement from	the City for
eligib	le expenses. Is the pro	posed project expected to generate any income	ə?
	Yes	No	

Section XVII: <u>CERTIFICATION</u>: The Applicant:

- ◆ Agrees to accept and follow management direction from the City and the Community Development Office that is federally funded through the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- ◆ Agrees to conform to all applicable laws and ordinances and statutes of the Federal Government, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the City of Lebanon, including but not limited to the following:
 - Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; a clear and comprehensive prohibition of discrimination on the basis of disability and the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended.
- ◆ Agrees that throughout the period of an agreement with the City, all taxes, contractual obligations, audit responsibilities and any other obligations (e.g. sewer and water, parking tickets etc.) owed to the City shall be and remain current;
- ♦ Agrees that all services required of the Applicant under an agreement with the City will be performed with professional skill and competence;
- ◆ Agrees that the City reserves the right to terminate the resultant agreement at any time, for the City's convenience, with the assurance that the sub-recipient shall be entitled to reimbursement for approved services rendered prior to date of termination;
- Agrees that the Applicant's relationship with the City under an agreement will be that of an independent sub-recipient and that the agreement will be a contract for completion of activities with allocated funds and not a contract of employment with the City and no attended benefits shall be bestowed thereby;

Agrees to comply with all requirements promulgated by HUD, including, but not limited to:

- Federal Labor Standards (29 CFR Parts 3, 5, and 5a)
- Davis Bacon Act, as amended (40 USC 327-330)
- Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (18 USC 874), as supplemented in the Dept. of Labor regulations (20 CFR-Part 3)
- Architectural Barriers Act of 1969 (42 USC)
- Environmental Review (24 CFR- Part 58)
- Lead Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act of 1971 (24 CFR Part 35)
- Flood Disaster Protection Act (PL 93-291)
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

The undersigned hereby certifies that s/he is duly authorized to negotiate, execute and deliver
agreements, documents and other instruments in the name of and on behalf of the organization
submitting this application for grant funds, and that the information contained in this application
is, to the best of his/her knowledge, true, correct, complete, and represents the true intended
usage of the funds for which the application is being submitted under penalty of law.

Authorized Signature	Print Name	Date

☐ Section XVIII: Certification of Consistency with the Consolidate Plan – HUD-2991
I certify that the proposed activity/project in this application is consistent with the jurisdiction's current, approved Consolidate Plan. (Type or clearly print the following information)
Applicant Name:
Project Name:
Location of the Project:
Name of the Federal Program to which the Applicant is applying:
Name of Certifying Jurisdiction:
Authorized Representative's Signature
Name (please print)
Title
Date

	Section	XIX. S	Sec 570	611 -	Conflict	of interest	Certification
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Please read the following Conflict of Interest Statement excerpted from the Code of Federal Regulations at 24 CFR 570.611 and indicate your acceptance by signing this Certification.

(a) Applicability.

- (1) In the procurement of supplies, equipment, construction, and services by recipients and by sub recipients, the conflict of interest provisions in 24 CFR 85.36 and 24 CFR 84.42, respectively; shall apply.
- (2) In all cases not governed by 24 CFR 85.36 and 84.42, the provisions of this section shall apply. Such cases include the acquisition and disposition of real property and the provision of assistance by the recipient or by its sub recipients to individuals, businesses, and other private entities under eligible activities that authorize such assistance (e.g., rehabilitation, preservation, and other improvements of private properties or facilities pursuant to Sec. 570.202; or grants, loans, and other assistance to businesses, individuals, and other private entities pursuant to Sec. 570.203, 570.204, 570.455, or 570.703(i)).
- (b) **Conflicts prohibited**. The general rule is that no persons described in paragraph (c) of this section who exercise or have exercised any functions or responsibilities with respect to CDBG Activities assisted under this part, or who are in a position to participate in a decision making process or gain inside information with regard to such activities, may obtain a financial interest or benefit from a CDBG-assisted activity, or have a financial interest in any contract, subcontract, or agreement with respect to a CDBG-assisted activity, or with respect to the proceeds of the CDBG-assisted activity, either for themselves or those with whom they have business or immediate family ties, during their tenure or for one year thereafter. For the UDAG program, the above restrictions shall apply to all activities that are a part of the UDAG project, and shall cover any such financial interest or benefit during, or at any time after, such person's tenure.
- (c) <u>Persons covered</u>. The conflict of interest provisions of paragraph (b) of this section apply to any person who is an employee, agent, consultant, officer, or elected official or appointed official of the recipient, or of any designated public agencies, or of sub recipients that are receiving funds under this part.
- (d) **Exceptions.** Upon the written request of the recipient, HUD may grant an exception to the provisions of paragraph (b) of this section on a case-by-case basis when it has satisfactorily met the threshold requirements of (d)(1) of this section, taking into account the cumulative effects of paragraph (d)(2) of this section.
- (1) Threshold requirements. HUD will consider an exception only after the recipient has provided the following documentation:

- (i) A disclosure of the nature of the conflict, accompanied by an assurance that there has been public disclosure of the conflict and a description of how the public disclosure was made; and
- (ii) An opinion of the recipient's attorney that the interest for which the exception is sought would not violate State or local law.
- (2) Factors to be considered for exceptions. In determining whether to grant a requested exception after the recipient has satisfactorily met the requirements of paragraph (d)(1) of this section, HUD shall conclude that such an exception will serve to further the purposes of the Act and the effective and efficient administration of the recipient's program or project, taking into account the cumulative effect of the following factors, as applicable:
- (i) Whether the exception would provide a significant cost benefit or an essential degree of expertise to the program or project that would otherwise not be available:
- (ii) Whether an opportunity was provided for open competitive bidding or negotiation;
- (iii) Whether the person affected is a member of a group or class of low- or moderate-income persons intended to be the beneficiaries of the assisted activity, and the exception will permit such person to receive generally the same interests or benefits as are being made available or provided to the group or class;
- (iv) Whether the affected person has withdrawn from his or her functions or responsibilities, or the decision making process with respect to the specific assisted activity in question;
- (v) Whether the interest or benefit was present before the affected person was in a position as described in paragraph (b) of this section;
- (vi) Whether undue hardship will result either to the recipient or the person affected when weighed against the public interest served by avoiding the prohibited conflict; and
 - (vii) Any other relevant considerations.

I have read the Conflict of Interest Statements excerpted from the Code of Federal Regulations at 24 CFR 570.611, and I agree to abide by the principles embodied therein.

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Authorized Representative's Signature	Date	
Name (please print)	Title	

NOTE: IF APPLICABLE EVERY BOARD MEMBER MUST INDIVIDUALLY SIGN A CONFLICT OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION TO BE SUBMITTED WITH THIS APPLICATION – NO EXCEPTIONS IF YOU MUST WAIT UNTIL NEXT BOARD MEETING FOR SIGNATURES PLEASE INDICATE BELOW. ONE PERSON SIGNING ONLY MAY RESULT IN APPLICATION BEING REJECTED.

Section XX: 24 CFR Part 58 - Environmental Review

In accordance with 24 C.F.R. Part 58.22, the applicant agrees to refrain from undertaking any physical activities or choice-limiting actions until the City of Lebanon's Community Development Office has either notified the applicant that the request for funding has been rejected, or if funded, until the City has issued the sub recipient a written Environmental Notice to Proceed Choice-limiting activities include, but are not limited to, acquisition of real property, leasing, repair, rehabilitation, demolition, conversion, or new construction. This limitation applies to all parties in the development process, including public or private nonprofit or for-profit entities, or any of their contractors.

If the application is successful, any commitment of funds by the City is fully conditioned upon satisfactory completion of the project's environmental review in accordance with 24 CFR Part 58 and related environmental authorities. The applicant is also advised that the provision of funding is further conditioned on the City of Lebanon's Community Development Office's determination to proceed with, modify, or cancel the project based on the results of the environmental review.

If the application is successful, the applicant must agree to abide by any special conditions, mitigation measures or requirements identified in the City of Lebanon's Community Development Office's environmental approval and shall ensure that project contracts and other relevant documents will include such special conditions, mitigation measures or requirements.

The applicant agrees to provide the City of Lebanon's Community Development Office with all available environmental information about the project and any information which the City of Lebanon's Community Development Office may request in connection with the conduct and preparation of the environmental review, including any reports of investigation or study which in the City of Lebanon's Community Development Office's opinion is needed to fulfill its obligations under HUD environmental requirements.

The applicant agrees to advise the City of Lebanon's Community Development Office of any proposed change in the scope of the project or any change in environmental conditions, including substantial changes in the nature, magnitude, extent or location of the project; the addition of new activities not anticipated in the original scope of the project; the selection of an alternative not in the original application or environmental review; or new circumstances or environmental conditions which may affect the project or have bearing on its impact, such as concealed or unexpected conditions discovered during the implementation of the project or activity. No federal funds will be disbursed until the environmental review has been completed and approved by the City of Lebanon.

Authorized Representative's Signature		
Name (please print)	Title	
Date		

Community Development Block Grant Funding Application Certifications

In accordance with the applicable statutes and regulations governing the Community Development Block Grant funds, I hereby certify that:

<u>Utilization of Minority/Women & Disadvantaged Contractors</u> – Projects receiving CDBG funding must notify and include minority and women contractors in their bidding process. *Executive Order 11625 (Utilization of Minority Business Enterprise) and Executive Order 12138 (Utilization of Female Business Enterprise)*

<u>Davis-Bacon Prevailing Wage Rate Labor Standards</u> – Any construction project receiving \$2,000 or more in CDBG or other federal funds, as applicable, will be required to comply with prevailing wage requirements.

<u>Section 3</u> – Projects receiving CDBG funding that involve building or public facilities improvements must, to the greatest extent feasible, utilize area lower income residents for employment and training

opportunities. (24CFR Part 135)

<u>Environmental Regulations</u> – All funded projects must undergo environmental review to ensure compliance with the National Environmental Protection Act regulations. The City of Lebanon will conduct the environmental review with cooperation from the funded agency.

<u>Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964</u> – No person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance on the grounds of race, color, or national origin. (*Public Law 99-352*)

<u>Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1969</u> – The Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination in the sale or rental of housing, the financing of housing, or the provision of brokerage services, including otherwise making unavailable or denying a dwelling to a person, because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or familial status. (*Public Law 90-294*)

<u>American with Disabilities Act</u> – Projects receiving CDBG funding involving building or public facilities improvements must include accessibility and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act Guidelines.

Any CDBG funded service must be provided in an accessible location.

<u>Drug-Free Workplace</u> – The agency shall make a good faith effort to maintain a drug-free workplace. (24CFR Part 21)

<u>Anti-Lobbying</u> – No federal funds shall be used for the purpose of influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress. (USC Title 31 Section 1352)

<u>Lead-Based Paint</u> – Any activities involving the presence of lead-based paint shall comply with the requirements of 24CFR Part 35.

<u>Community Development Block Grant Program</u> – CDBG funds shall be used exclusively for eligible activities permitted by 24CFR Part 570.

The statements and application requirements of this proposal are correct and this application contains no misrepresentation or falsification, omission, or concealment of material facts and that the information given is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and no bids have been awarded, contracts executed, or construction begun on the proposed project.

	Signature of Authorized Official (use blue ink)	Date
	Printed Name	Title
;	Section XXI. CERTIFICATION OF COMPL I do hereby certify that the informate for Community Development Block Grant For also certify that if the information contains time, I will notify City of Lebano Office of such change and await their wright with the project.	tion contained in this application funds is complete and accurate. Intained herein should change at n's Community Development
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