

Nebraska Dept. of Economic Development

Housing, Community Development, & Economic Development Programs

Nebraska Dept. of Health & Human Services

Homeless and HOPWA Programs

Proposed 2014 Annual Action Plan

July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015

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General Information

- Please sign in and pick up materials.
- Presentation of information by State of Nebraska staff on the Proposed 2014 Annual Action Plan.
- After presentation allow time for official public comments.
- We will pause periodically and ask each site for questions.

Public Comment Period

Accepting comments on the Proposed 2014 AAP
Comment Period:

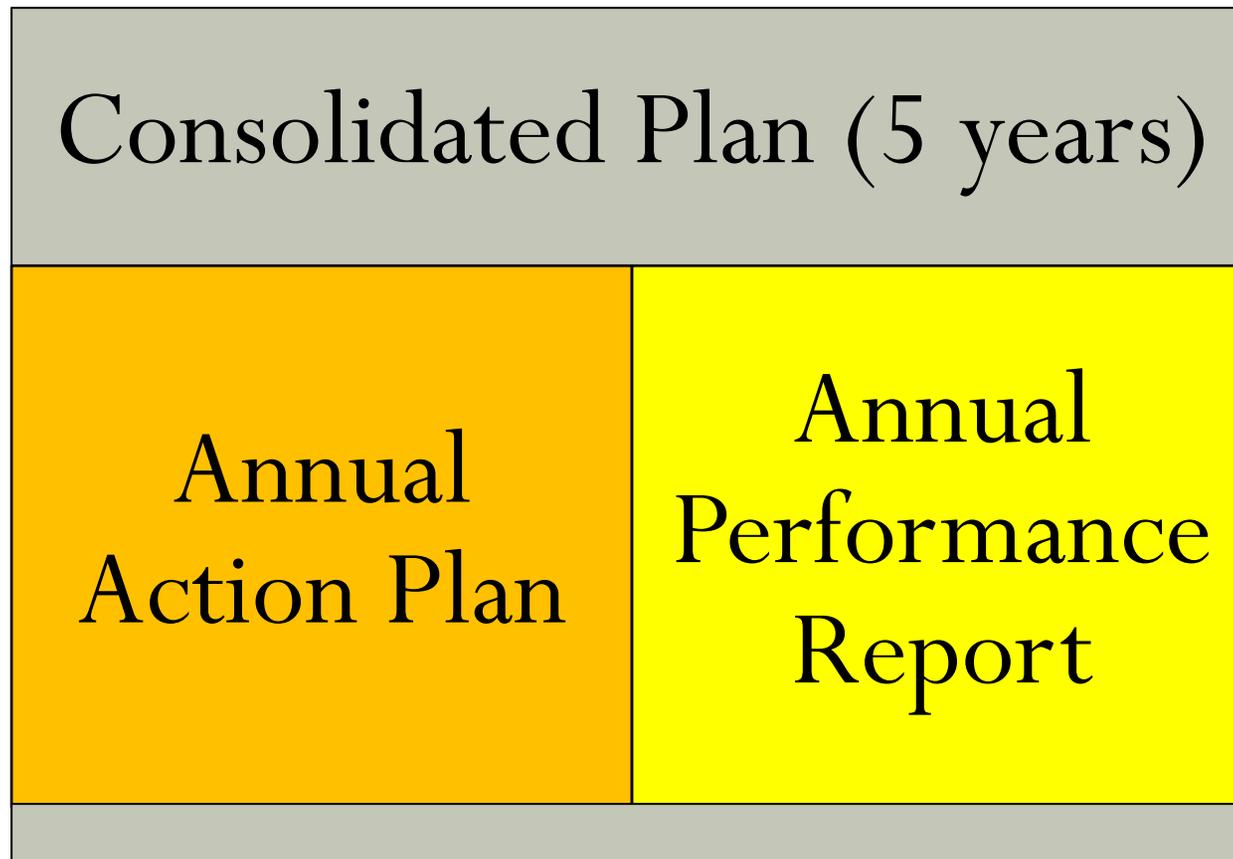
December 10, 2013 through January 10, 2014

Submission of Public Comments

- Verbal
 - Dictated at the end of the videoconference
 - (State and spell your name, and provide the name of the organization you represent)
- Prepared written – provided to your videoconference host
- Mail

Nebraska Department of Economic Development
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Consolidated Planning Cycle



2014 Annual Action Plan

Fifth and final update to the 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan

The purpose of the AAP is to:

- ❑ Summarize priorities and objectives of the Consolidated Plan;
- ❑ Describe what the State proposes to do to further priorities and objectives;
- ❑ Explain the State's method of distribution for CDBG, HOME, ESG, HOPWA, HSATF, and NAHTF funds;
- ❑ List the resources available to grantees and the State to further the five-year strategies;
- ❑ Report on specific items required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD);
- ❑ Review and consider citizen comments.

Annual Action Plan Contents

- National Objective and State Goals
- Priorities, Objectives, and Outcome Indicators (Goals)
- Categories of Funding
- Distribution of Dollars
- Application Dates

5 Priorities within the AAP which summarize the goals of the Consolidated Plan

HOUSING PRIORITY: Respond to regional needs for affordable, decent, safe and appropriate housing as a part of balanced economic development in Nebraska.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PRIORITY: Strengthen Nebraska communities through community development programs and services in order to provide a stable platform for economic development.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PRIORITY: Foster the competitiveness of Nebraska's business and industrial sector—and as a result—assist in the economic development of Nebraska's communities and people.

HOMELESS SERVICES: Ensure appropriate emergency shelter and/or transitional housing and services for people who are homeless or at imminent risk of becoming homeless by distributing Emergency Shelter Trust Funds and Homeless Shelter Assistance Trust Funds.

HOPWA SERVICES: Ensure appropriate emergency and/or permanent housing and services for people who are homeless or at imminent risk of becoming homeless by distributing funding to project sponsor to meet the needs of persons living with HIV/AIDS.

Federal and State Resources

Federal

- **CDBG** -- Community Development Block Grant
- **HOME** -- HOME Investment Partnerships
- **ESG** -- Emergency Solutions Grant
- **HOPWA** – Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS

State

- **NAHTF** -- Nebraska Affordable Housing Trust Fund
- **HSATF** -- Homeless Shelter Assistance Trust Fund

2014 ESTIMATED ALLOCATION

- Presented in the Annual Action Plan – Section 2-3
- Estimates
 - CDBG (approximately \$10.3 million)
 - HOME (approximately \$3 million)
 - ESG (approximately \$700,000)
 - HOPWA (approximately \$330,000)
 - NAHTF (approximately \$8.25 million)
 - HSATF (approximately \$2.7 million)

Estimated 2014 Categorical Distribution (AAP Section 8-4)

Priority/Category	CDBG	NAHTF	HOME	ESG	HSATF	HOPWA
Section Three: Housing Affordable Housing Program •→ CHDO set-aside	\$2,000,000	\$7,750,000	\$2,250,000 -\$450,000			
Section Four: Community Development •→ Comprehensive Revitalization •→ Comprehensive Investment & Stabilization •→ Public Works •→ Water Wastewater •→ Planning •→ Downtown Revitalization	\$1,200,000 \$1,200,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 -\$250,000 \$1,000,000					
Section Five: Economic Development •→ Economic Development •→ Tourism Development	\$2,000,000 -\$350,000					
Section Six: Homeless Services •→ Homeless Shelter & Homeless Assistance and Prevention Services				\$669,495	\$2,675,000	
Section Seven: HOPWA Services •→ Housing Opportunities for persons With AIDS						\$328,830
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	\$10,000,000	\$7,750,000	\$2,700,000	\$669,495	\$2,675,000	\$328,830

QUESTIONS



Housing Priority

Respond to regional needs for affordable, decent, safe and appropriate housing as part of balanced economic development in Nebraska.



Housing Objectives

- **Promote housing preservation by improving the quality of Nebraska's existing affordable housing stock.**
- **Promote additional households into homeownership by expanding affordable homeownership opportunities.**
- **Promote additional affordable rental housing and preservation of affordable rental housing in selected markets.**
- **Enhance statewide understanding of fair housing law through outreach and education.**

Nebraska Affordable Housing Program Funding Sources

- HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME)
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- Nebraska Affordable Housing Trust Fund (NAHTF)

Eligible Funding Categories

- Homebuyer
- Owner Occupied Rehabilitation
- Non-profit Operating Assistance
- Rental

2014

**Housing Funds Available
for Distribution**

\$2,000,000 CDBG

\$2,700,000 HOME

+ \$7,750,000 NAHTF

\$12,450,000

Funds Distributed through:

- Joint DED/NIFA Low Income Housing Tax Credit Application Process
- DED Annual Cycle
- DED CDBG OOR Cycle
- DED CHDO Cycle
- Set Aside to City of Omaha
- **See AAP Section 3-35 for details**

Joint DED/NIFA Low Income Housing Tax Credit Application Process

- Developed with NIFA in the Qualified Allocation Plan
- \$2,925,000 in HOME and NAHTF funds for rental projects including new rental construction and rental rehabilitation
- Includes approximately \$675,000 in NAHTF funds used as HOME Match
- Application Process identified within NIFA's QAP

DED Annual Cycle

- \$4,777,500 in NAHTF funds available for homebuyer, owner occupied rehab, and rental projects.
- \$360,000 in NAHTF funds available for non-profit operating assistance.
- Eligible applicants include: Local or regional non-profit 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) housing or related service organizations; Units of general local government; Public Housing Authorities; and State-designated Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO)
- **Pre-Apps due March 7, 2014. Full Apps due April 30, 2014**

DED CDBG OOR Cycle

- \$2,000,000 in CDBG funds available for owner occupied rehabilitation
- Eligible applicants include: Units of general local government classified as a municipality (City or Village)
- County-wide applications would apply through Annual Cycle
- **Pre-Apps due April 30, 2014. Full Apps due July 18, 2014**

DED CHDO Cycle

- HUD requires a 25% Match of the HOME allocation to be designated to Community Housing Development Organizations
- \$450,000 in HOME funds available for CHDO-eligible projects
- Eligible applicants include: State designated CHDOs
- CHDO Cycle is separate from the Annual Cycle.
Application similar to CHDO designation app with some additional questions
- **Pre-Apps due May 30, 2014. Full Apps due July 25, 2014**

Set Aside for City of Omaha

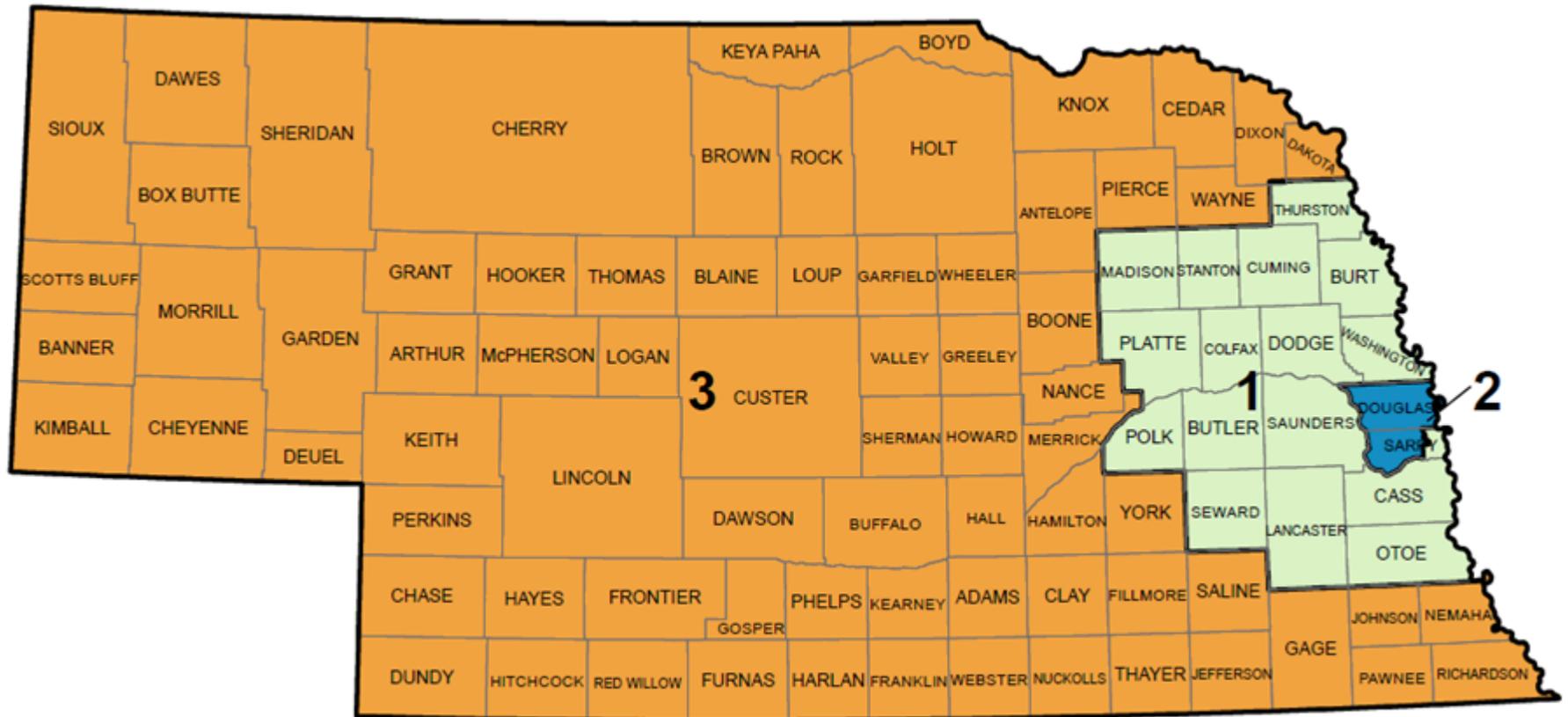
- \$1,937,500 in NAHTF funds provided to the City of Omaha to distribute through the City's Annual Planning Process as required by HUD.
- Partially meets requirement of providing no less than 25% of the NAHTF funds to each of the 3 U.S. Congressional Districts
- Projects within Congressional District 2, but outside of the Omaha city limits must apply within the Annual Cycle

DED Annual Cycle Process

- \$4,777,500 in NAHTF funds distributed within the Annual Cycle by:
- **1st** recommending for award the highest scoring application in each of two Congressional Districts (District 1 and District 3).
- **2nd** remaining applications scored and ranked statewide, regardless of Congressional District.
- no less than 25% of the NAHTF allocation will be provided to District 1 (\$1,937,500) and no less than 25% of the NAHTF allocation will be provided to District 3 (\$1,937,500).

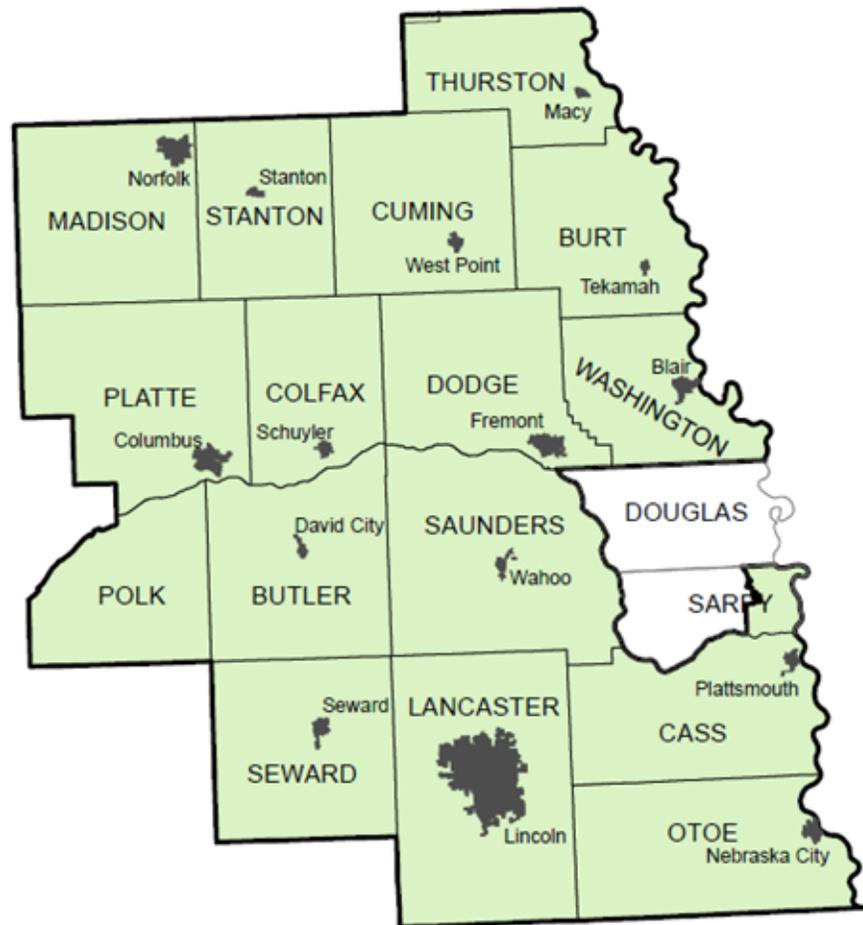
DED Annual Cycle Process (continued)

3 Congressional Districts



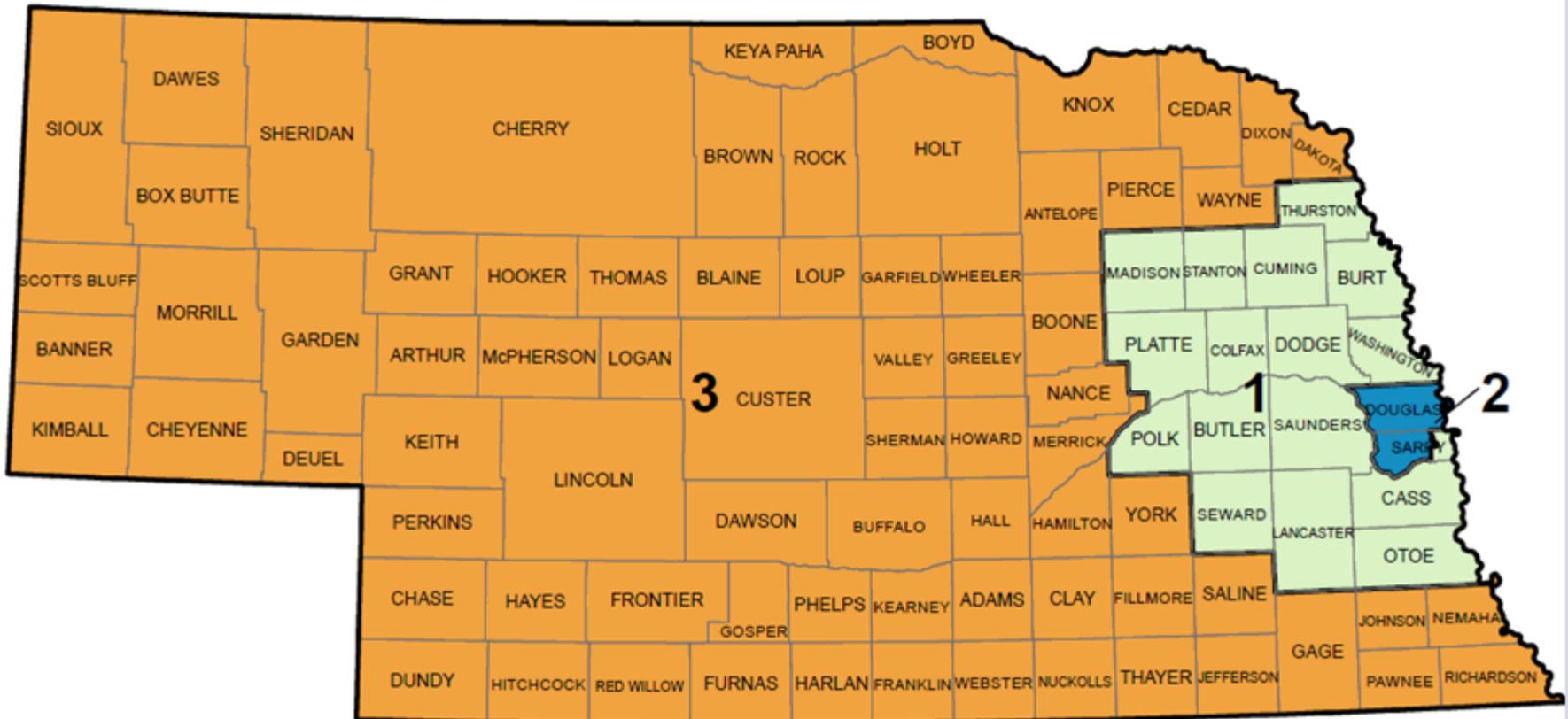
DED Annual Cycle Process (continued)

Top Scoring App in District 1 Recommended



DED Annual Cycle Process (continued)

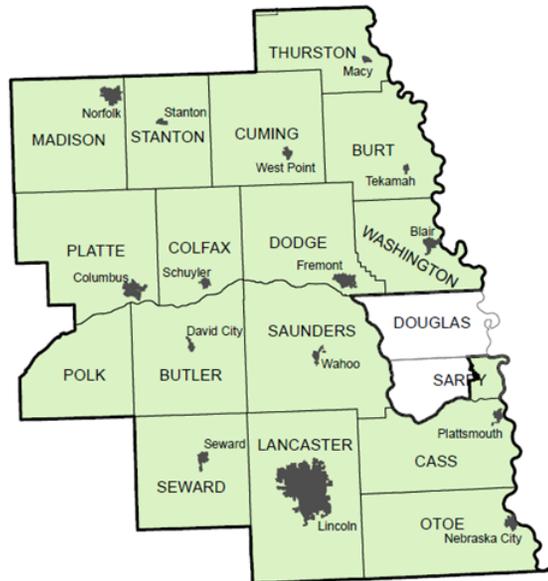
Top Scoring App in District 3 Recommended



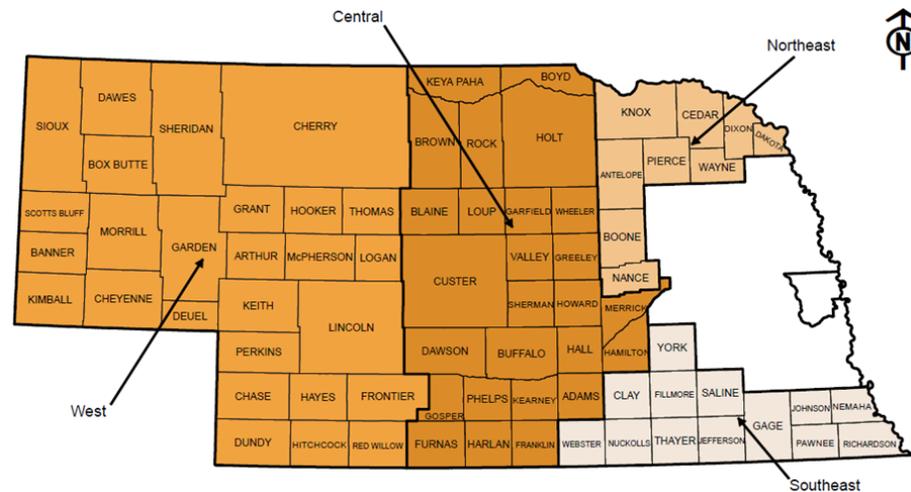
DED Annual Cycle Process (continued)

Remaining Applications scored statewide

District 1 must receive 25% (\$1.9 million)



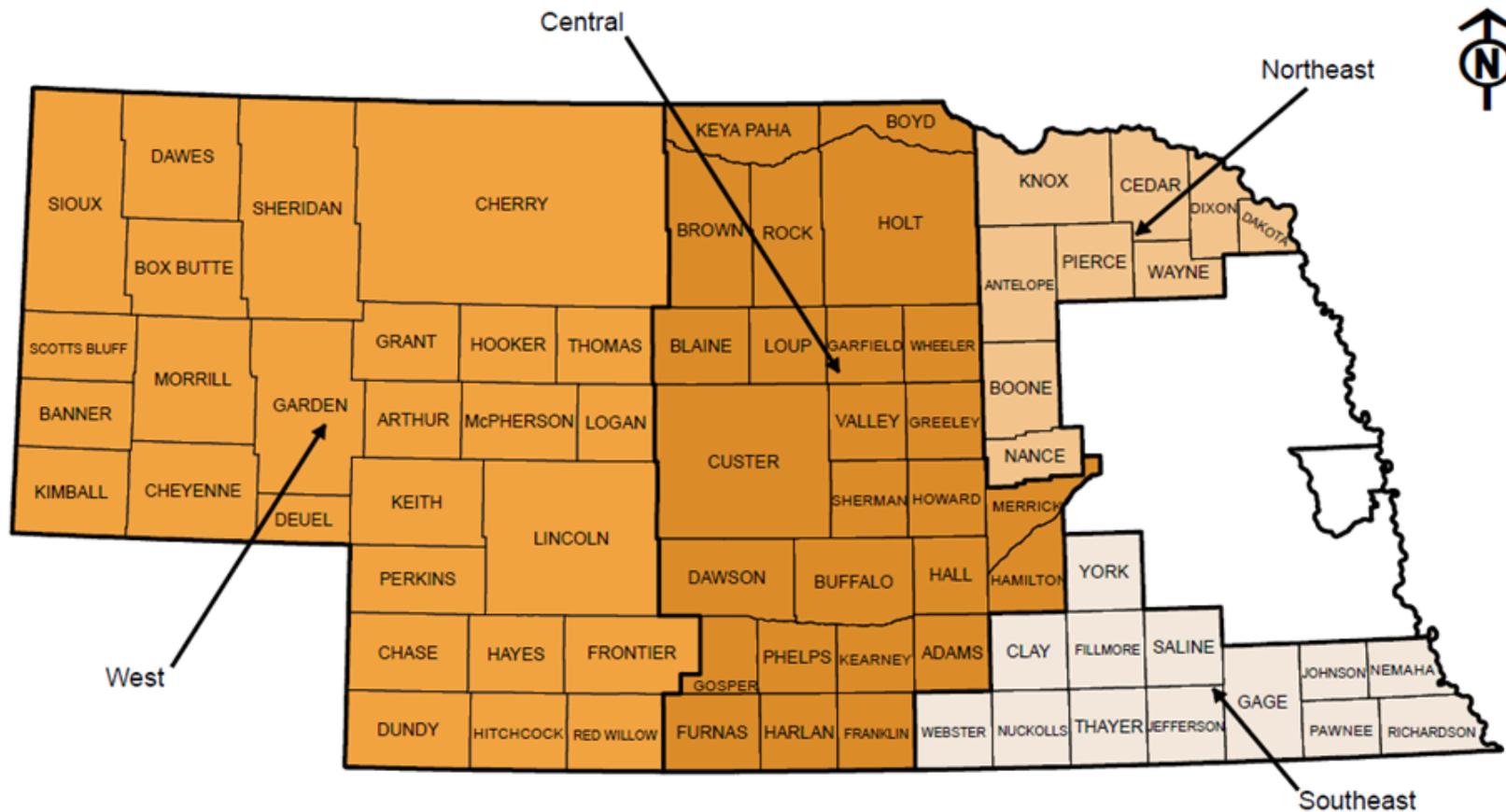
District 3 must receive 25% (\$1.9 million)



DED Annual Cycle Process (continued)

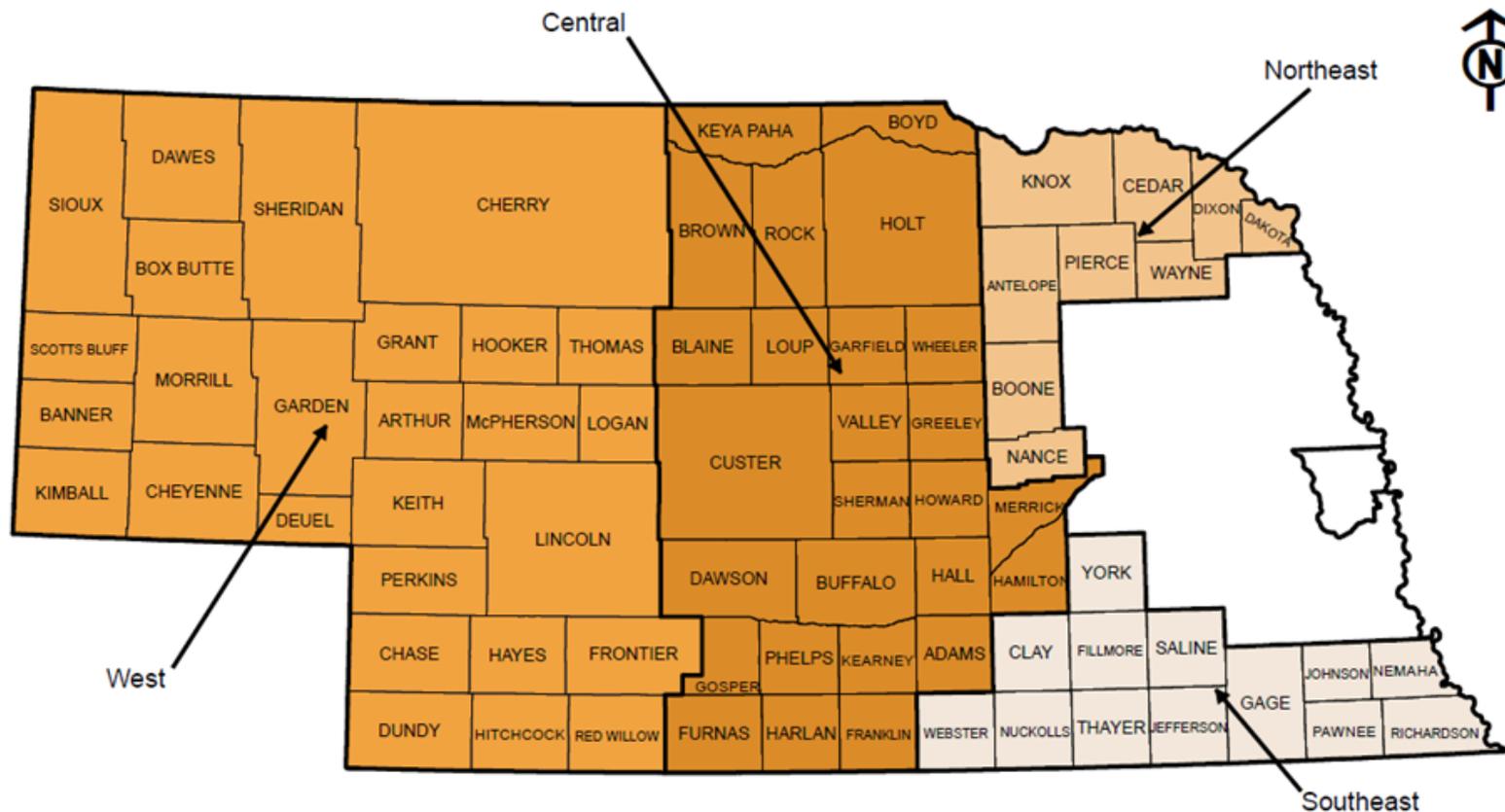
Remaining funds allocated primarily within District 3

To increase geographic distribution, 4 Sub-districts established within Congressional District 3



DED Annual Cycle Process (continued)

Top Application in West, Central, Northeast, and Southeast Sub-districts may be recommended for funding based on statewide ranking and availability of funds



Application Deadlines Summary

- **Annual Cycle**--Pre-Apps due March 7, 2014. Full Apps due April 30, 2014
- **CDBG OOR Cycle**--Pre-Apps due April 30, 2014. Full Apps due July 18, 2014
- **CHDO Cycle**--Pre-Apps due May 30, 2014. Full Apps due July 25, 2014
- Pre-Applications emailed to Anissa Rasmussen
- Full application must be postmarked by, or delivered to the Nebraska State Office Bldg, 4th Floor, with signed receipt from DED staff **by 5:00 PM Central Time, by Application due date. NO EXCEPTIONS**

**QUESTIONS CONCERNING
HOUSING PRIORITY**



Economic Development Priority

Foster the competitiveness of
Nebraska's business and industrial
sector

—and as a result —

assist in the economic
development of Nebraska's
communities and people.

ED Objectives:

- **Objective One:** Promote the retention and expansion of existing businesses in Nebraska, and the startup of new businesses in Nebraska, and the immigration of out-of-state businesses relocating or expanding into Nebraska.
- **Objective Two:** Invest in public facilities and improvement activities that make economic opportunities available to low and moderate income persons.

ED Objectives:

- **Objective Three:** Invest in effective and affordable tourist attractions (for profit or nonprofit) in quality communities that will result in visitor spending, generate jobs, and promote long-term economic development.
- **Objective Four:** Undertake planning activities that may include but are not limited to: a feasibility study, an environmental review, preliminary site planning, site predevelopment, market analysis and a marketing plan; all in preparation for a larger project.

Eligible businesses...

Not all businesses are eligible

- Must meet the definitional criteria of a “qualified business” as that term is defined in the statute commonly referred to as “Nebraska Advantage”—and—the project...
- ...Must meet additional eligibility criteria in the Economic Development Application Guidelines
- Generally speaking, eligible businesses includes research and development, manufacturing, data processing, telecommunications, insurance, financial services, distribution, storage, transportation, administrative headquarters, and targeted export services.
- Business must pay a minimum starting wage for all employees of \$9.00 per hour + provide appropriate employee benefits

Ineligible businesses...

- Non-profit Business
- Retail Operations
- Businesses that derive revenues from gaming or solicitation of gaming activities
- Production agriculture, including crop production and the raising of livestock
- Trucking enterprises, which lack storage, warehousing, or distribution components which would distinguish them from so called “rolling stock”.

Economic Development Forms of Assistance

- Loans to businesses
 - May be either low-interest or non-interest bearing
 - Most will be fully repayable
- Public facilities (infrastructure) construction or improvement projects undertaken for economic development purposes, where a benefiting business agrees to create jobs. Conditional grants.
- Speculative building projects and speculative industrial park projects
- Short-term interim financing

Limitations

- \$1,000,000 will be used as a guideline for an award for one project, usually awards do not exceed \$500,000. Award may not exceed 50% of total project costs.
- Must meet CDBG national objective – *at least 51% of jobs created or retained must be held by, or made available to, low-to-moderate income (LMI) persons*
- HUD CDBG underwriting guidelines must be met

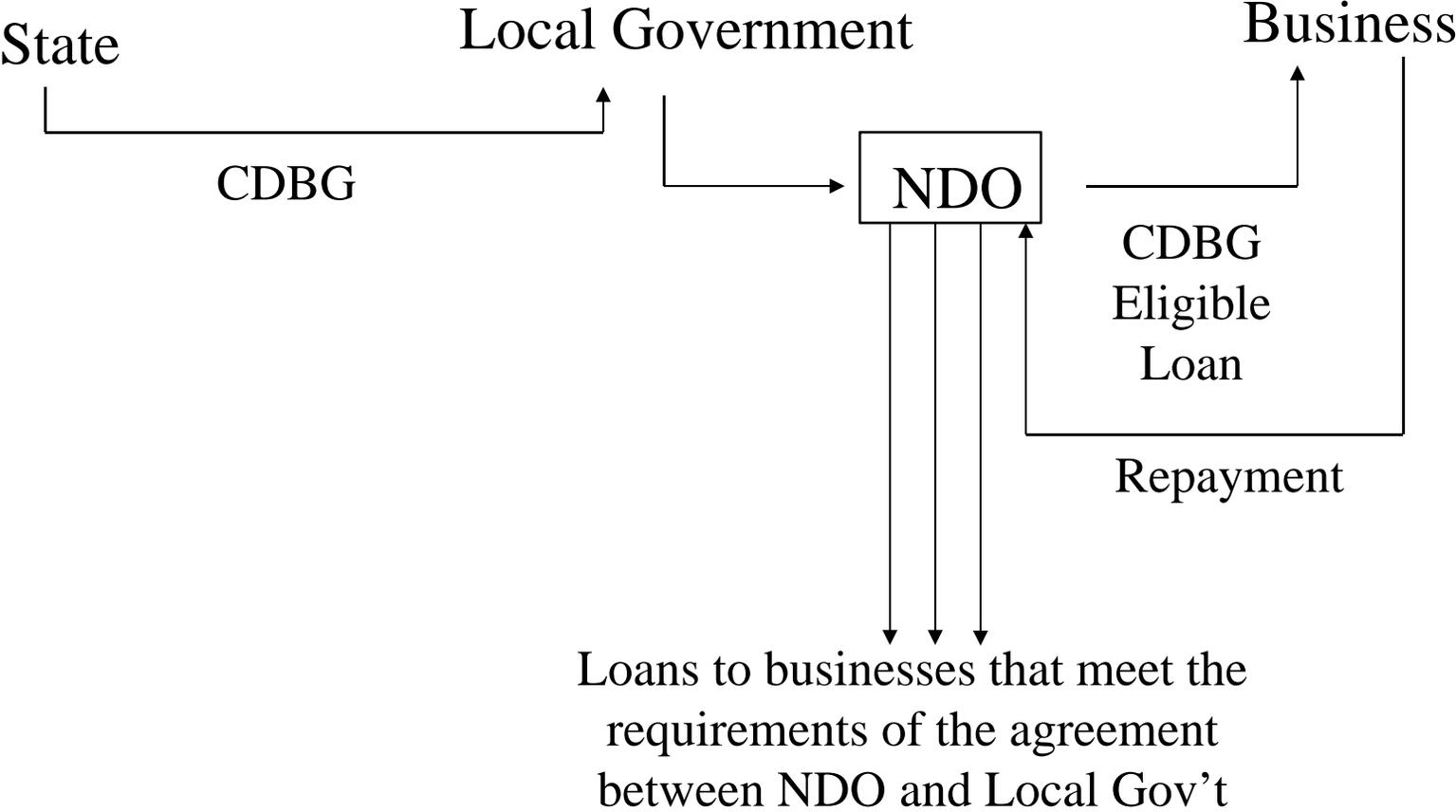
Program Income

- Section 2 – 11
- For ED Grantees, new awards – program income must provide assistance to the same business for the same activity, therefore DED encourages the use of NDOs
 - Steps:
 - 1. Communities could loan their program income to an eligible business through an approved Non-profit Development Organization (NDO) for an eligible activity as specified in their re-use plan. This loan must meet a HUD national objective.
 - 2. The loan would then be paid back to an eligible non-profit (NDO).

Program Income

- Steps:
 - **3.** The NDO could then reinvest the money from the Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) back into the community without the CDBG requirements (but with the approval of an approved plan by the DED).

CDBG Economic Development Grant with NDO Involvement



CDBG Underwriting Guidelines:

- Reasonable project costs
- Sources of financing committed
- CDBG \$ not substituted for other \$
- Financially feasible project
- No unreasonable return on investment to owner and no undue enrichment of owner through loan forgiveness or through loan terms

ED Application Scoring Criteria

1. CDBG \$ Utilization

35 Points

- CDBG dollars / job
- CDBG dollars / total project costs
- Wages and benefits payments in one year/ CDBG dollar

2. Community Impact and Commitment

30 Points

- Location, reflecting economic distress
- Substantial community contribution to project with local funds

3. Business Components

40 Points

- Owners equity in total project
- Mgt Experience, Financial underwriting, Loan Guarantees, Established business, Commitment of funding, duration of commitment for job creation
- 5 bonus points for Economic Development Certified Community designation

ED Loans and Infrastructure grants:

- Loans: - Are generally fully repayable; 0% interest or low interest loans; maturities (terms of notes) vary depending on purpose of loan and collateral;
- DED prefers to use a NDO as a subrecipient, who then loans the CDBG funds to the business
- Infrastructure grants: - are conditional, based on the project performance
- Infrastructure projects will be funded with the DED's CDBG allocation
- ED loan projects will be funded with the DED's CDBG Revolving Loan Fund

Infrastructure Awards to Communities:

- Must be essential to the business and have a direct nexus to the business' activities
- Examples include street construction/improvements, water and sewer system improvements
- Business must agree (in MOU) to locate/expand and to create and maintain jobs

Infrastructure Awards to Communities:

- Business must agree (in MOU) to repay the community the amount of CDBG funds should the business fail to meet the job requirements (thus failing to meet a CDBG national objective)
- “Oversizing” to meet community needs beyond the immediate needs of the business must be paid for by the community and does not count toward the required 1:1 community match of CDBG \$

**QUESTIONS CONCERNING
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**



Tourism Development Category

- **Eligible Activities:**
 - Historic Restorations;
 - Interpretive Educational Sites/Facilities;
 - Cultural and Heritage Recreational Sites/Facilities;
 - Supporting Activities related to removal of architectural barriers that restrict mobility and accessibility to sites/facilities.



Tourism Development Category (Continued)

- Tourist Attractions are expected to draw 2,500 visits or more annually from origins of at least 100 miles away.
- Eligible Applicants:
 - Local Units of Government
- Estimated Amount for Distribution:
 - \$350,000
- Maximum Grant Amount
 - \$225,000
- Open cycle applications are accepted throughout the year beginning May 2014.

**QUESTIONS CONCERNING
TOURISM DEVELOPMENT**

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Community Development Priority

Strengthen Nebraska communities through community development programs and services in order to provide a stable platform for economic development.



Community Development Objectives

- Improve the quality of water and wastewater in Nebraska and assist in developing and financing appropriate infrastructure for communities and counties that have planned and set priorities for long-term development.
- Invest in quality projects that are identified in a formal community development plan; compliment or support related community investments; leverage maximum private and/or other investment; and have reasonable plans for long-term operation and maintenance.
- Increase capacity, efficiency, and effectiveness of local planning efforts resulting in long-term development.

Community Development Eligible Funding Categories

- Comprehensive Revitalization
- Comprehensive Investment and Stabilization
- Public Works
- Water/Wastewater
- Planning
- Downtown Revitalization

Comprehensive Revitalization

- **Eligible Applicants:** **six** communities between 20,000 and 49,999 population three year period of conditional grants – 2013-2015
- **Grant Amount:** multi-year formula allocation based the greater of \$150,000 or the formula allocation according to the number of low-and-moderate income persons residing in the community or \$225,000 max.
- **Application Process:** applicants completed and submitted an application for *3 year* comprehensive needs assessment and revitalization strategy by November 16, 2012
 - Phase I June 28, 2013
 - Phase II June 30, 2014
 - Phase III August 31, 2015

Comprehensive Revitalization

- **Eligible Activities:** all housing, public works, planning, and downtown revitalization CDBG activities

25% of Comprehensive Revitalization allocation can be used for activities eligible for assistance under the Downtown Revitalization funding category; provided that such activities were identified as needs in the comprehensive needs assessment, and provide a benefit to low/moderate income residents of the community.

(LIMITATION – If CR grantee receives a Downtown Revitalization Grant, the grantee cannot use CR funds for Downtown Revitalization Activities)

CR grantee cannot apply for funding from the Public Works or Water Wastewater Funding categories (but can apply for all other categories)

Comprehensive Investment and Stabilization

- **Eligible Applicants:** communities between 5,000 and 19,999 population---21
3 year period of conditional grants – 2013-2015

- **Grant Amount:**

Phase I max \$10,000 / 25% match

Phase II multi-year allocation based on a range of \$150,000 up to a max \$250,000 per community each year/ 3 year funding period principally benefiting low -and-moderate income persons residing in the community or neighborhood...

Comprehensive Investment and Stabilization

- **Application:** Phase I (pre-development) competitive & determine Phase II / 3 year implementation
- **National Objective:** all eligible activities must meet benefit to low-and moderate income (LMI) persons either as:
 - Area benefit-residential service area benefiting 51% greater LMI
 - Limited Clientele- groups identified such as elderly / severely disabled adults / homeless
 - Housing – direct assistance to LMI persons / families such as housing rehab / down payment assistance
- **Estimated Amount for Distribution:**
\$1.2 million

Comprehensive Investment and Stabilization

- **Application Process 2014-2017:** Phase I applicants submit an application for 3 year comprehensive needs assessment and revitalization strategy by **June 3, 2014**.
 - Phase II year **one** May 1, 2015
 - Phase II year **two** September 14, 2016
 - Phase II year **three** August 31, 2017
- **Eligible Activities:** all housing, public works, and planning CDBG activities.
- **Additional Thresholds:** comprehensive plan, zoning/ subdivision ordinances, bldg codes, code enforcement, building permit process, active planning commission, and capital improvement program.

Comprehensive Investment and Stabilization

- Phase I Selection Criteria and maximum scoring points
- Minimum threshold score is 330pts (Section 4-16)

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	
Needs Identification	Problem Statement	Need Impact Readiness	Leverage Financial Commitment	Community Support	Capacity Commitment	LMI Benefit	On-Site Review	Bonus Pts	TOTAL
50	175	150	150	150	225	70	150	30	1,150
5 min	50 min	50 min	50 min	50 min	75 min	NA	50 min	NA	330 min

Comprehensive Investment and Stabilization

Phase I Selection Criteria / On-site & Bonus

- On-site review optional --- community applicants notified
- Bonus criteria
 - **Volunteers**---initiatives & successes by organizations / individuals supporting community development
 - **Citizen Participation**---public, business, civic groups collaborative partnerships
 - **Leadership**---specific objectives resulting in successful projects demonstrating public, business, civic groups leadership
 - **Project Collaboration**---efforts and commitments documented for next 3 years thru volunteers, citizen participation, & leadership

Public Works Category

- **Eligible Activities:**
 - Community Centers or Senior Centers;
 - Non-profit Centers for Day Care, Dependent Care, Primary Health and Mental Health Care Outpatient Clinics;
 - Remodel Shelter Facilities for the Homeless (excludes costs for operation);
 - Accredited Public Libraries;
 - Fire/Rescue Buildings (including Fire Trucks);
 - Housing conversions 2nd levels up

Public Works Category (Continued)

- **Eligible Activities Continued:**
 - Removal of Architectural Barriers for Accessibility;
 - Parks (a new facility/improvement or a quantifiable increase of an existing facility/improvement);
 - Water Distribution (excludes wells, transmission, and storage) and/or Sanitary Sewer Collection System Improvements;
 - Bridge and/or Street Improvements;
 - Storm Sewer Improvements;
 - Flood Control and Drainage Improvements;
 - and Tornado-safe Shelters in Manufactured Home Parks.

Hastings Day Care Center



Public Works Category (Continued)

- **Eligible Applicants:** Local Units of Government
- **Maximum Grant Amount:** \$250,000
- **Estimated Amount for Distribution:** \$1 million
- **Applications closing:**
July 1, 2014 (First Cycle)
- **Projects must meet LMI**
national objective & DED must approve method and
determination prior to application submission



Loup City Community Center

Public Works Category (Continued)

Selection Criteria Matrix (Section 4-26)

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	
CNF	Citizen Participation	Project Need	Project Impact	Project Readiness	LMI Benefit	Local Effort	Leverage	TOTAL
80	50	100	100	100	70	100	50	650
0	10 minimum	40 minimum	40 minimum	40 minimum	0	0	0	130 minimum

See Section 4-24 through 4-27 for scoring descriptions

Water / Wastewater Category

- **Eligible Activities:** Publicly owned Water System Improvements including Source, Treatment, Storage and/or Distribution Improvements; Publicly owned Sanitary Sewer Collection and/or Treatment System Improvements
- **Eligible Applicants:** Local Units of Government
- **Maximum Grant Amount:** \$250,000 (includes pre-development, final design, and construction components—No Project Phasing)
- Projects must meet LMI national objective & DED must approve method and determination prior to application submission

Water Wastewater Category (Continued)

- **Estimated Amount for Distribution:**
\$1,050,000 million
- **Application Acceptance:**
Open cycle applications are accepted
throughout the year beginning May 1, 2014

Water-Wastewater Category (Continued)

- Funds available for three phases:
 - Preliminary Engineering, no pre-application, full application for comprehensive system assessment
 - Final Design Engineering, plan/specs approval prior to close or construction grant
 - Construction, may be included with design only if all bids opened within one year

Planning Category

- **Eligible Activities:**
 - Community strategic planning;
 - Analysis of Impediments and Barriers to Fair Housing Choice;
 - Neighborhood, Strategic and Comprehensive Planning;
 - Functional Studies;
 - Environmental and Historic Preservation;
 - Downtown Revitalization;
 - Pre-engineering studies for publicly owned water/wastewater projects;
 - Business park site/location/use feasibility studies.

Planning Category (Continued)

- **Eligible Applicants:**
Local Units of Government
- **Estimated Amount for Distribution:**
\$250,000
- **Maximum Grant Amount:**
 - \$30,000 per community/unincorporated county
 - \$50,000 for multi-community, countywide, or regional projects
- **Application Deadlines:**
 - First Cycle— April 11, 2014
 - Second Cycle— October 31, 2014
 - Third Cycle— Open Cycle begins after Second Cycle

Planning Category (Continued)

Selection Criteria Section 4-35

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
PROBLEM STATEMENT	IMPACT	STRATEGY/ WORK PLAN	LMI BENEFIT	LEVERAGE	SUSTAINABILITY (BONUS)	TOTAL
250	300	300	70	50	30	970 (1,000)
100 min	150 min	150 min	0	0	NA	400 min

Downtown Revitalization Category

- Category to provide investments that will contribute to the revitalization or redevelopment of downtown infrastructure, health and safety concerns and develop a greater capacity for growth.
- Eligible Applicants – all incorporated Nebraska municipalities (populations under 50,000)
- Two phases
 - Pre-development Phase I
 - Project implementation Phase II

Downtown Revitalization (continued)

Milestone Summary	Dates
Pre-development submitted to DED	March 28, 2014
DED Conducts Site Visits	April/May 2014
Communities Selected/ Awarded Phase I Downtown Revitalization Strategy	June 2, 2014
Selected Communities Conduct Phase I - DTR Plan (9 months)	June 2014-March 2015
Submit downtown revitalization plan and Phase II Application for the proposed project activities to DED	March 27, 2015
Contract Negotiations conducted between DED and Applicant Communities	Feb/Mar 2015
CDBG Awarded for Phase II: Downtown Revitalization Project Activities (Implementation of downtown revitalization plan; 2 yr contract)	April 2015

See also Section 4-43

Downtown Revitalization (Continued)

- **Eligible Applicants (Threshold for eligibility):**
 - [All incorporated Nebraska municipalities;](#)
 - A designated Economic Development Certified Community
<http://www.neded.org/economic-development-certified-community/certified-communities>
 - OR
 - A designated Leadership Community
<http://www.neded.org/community/community-info/community-improvement/leadership-community>
 - Adopted a comprehensive plan, zoning and subdivision ordinances, building codes, code enforcement, and a building permit process.
- **Grant Amount:**
 - \$30,000 pre-development phase (maximum 7% of award for administration)
 - \$350,000 project phase (includes final design and construction components—No Project Phasing) (maximum 6% of award for administration)
- **Estimated Amount for Distribution:**
 - \$1,000,000

Downtown Revitalization (Continued)

- **Eligible Activities:**

located in the designated downtown business district.

- Pre-development,
- All public facility and infrastructure activities that are also eligible under the “Community Development Public Works Category”,
- Loans to businesses for façade improvements,
- Loans to businesses to improve deficiencies in meeting community codes,
- Acquisition, clearance, and code enforcement activities which support other revitalization activities,
- Historic restoration, rehabilitation and preservation for physical structures and infrastructure.

Downtown Revitalization (Continued)

- Compliance with CDBG National Objective
 - Benefiting low-to-moderate Income Persons
 - Aiding in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight
- Scoring matrix for Phase I Pre-Application:

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
Problem Statement	Leverage / Financial Commitment	Business and Community Support	Capacity/ Commitment	On-Site Review	Bonus Points	TOTAL
175	150	150	225	150	30	880
50 min	50 min	50 min	75 min	50 min	NA	400 min

- Phase II funding reserved for communities selected to complete Phase I

**QUESTIONS CONCERNING
COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT**



NEBRASKA HOMELESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Ensure appropriate emergency shelter and/or transitional housing and services for people who are homeless or at imminent risk of becoming homeless by distributing Emergency Shelter Trust Funds and Homeless Shelter Assistance Trust Funds.



Administered by Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS)

Office of Economic & Family Support

Homeless Services Objectives

- Provide appropriate shelter and/or housing to people who are homeless and/or at risk of homelessness.
- Provide needed services to people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

Homeless Services Allocation and Distribution

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

- Proposed 2014 Allocation - \$723,778
- Distribution - \$669,495

Homeless Shelter Assistance Trust Fund (HSATF)

- Proposed 2014 Allocation - \$2,750,000
- Distribution - \$2,675,000

Homeless Services Application Process

- Applications will be reviewed by teams composed of:
 - Representatives from the Neb Comm'n on Housing & Homelessness
 - State Continuum of Care Committee
 - Department of Health and Human Services
 - Other Collaborating Departments

Neb Homeless Assistance Program Coordinator facilitates the review
- Application Criteria noted on page 6-9 of the AAP

Homeless Services Application Process

ACTION	DATE
Online Posting of RFA & Application via the DHHS Nebraska Homeless Assistance Program Website	December 17, 2013
Applications submitted to NHAP	February 21, 2014
Additional missing info is submitted	March/May 2014
Finalize Award Process	May/June 2014
Intent to Award notification, contingent	
Upon funding, posted to NHAP website	June 30, 2014

**QUESTIONS CONCERNING
HOMELESS SERVICES PRIORITY**

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NEBRASKA HOPWA PROGRAM

ENSURE APPROPRIATE EMERGENCY AND/OR PERMANENT HOUSING AND SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE HOMELESS OR AT IMMINENT RISK OF BECOMING HOMELESS BY DISTRIBUTING FUNDING TO PROJECT SPONSOR TO MEET THE NEEDS OF PERSONS LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS.



Administered by Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS)

Division of Public Health

Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)

- HOPWA is administered by the Department of Health and Human Services.
- Nebraska AIDS Project (NAP) serves as project sponsor and provides assistance to persons living with HIV and AIDS.
- Contact information for NAP is contained on Page 7-6 of the Annual Action Plan.

HOPWA Services Objective

- Provide housing assistance and related supportive services to low income persons with HIV/AIDS and their families and enable low income person with HIV/AIDS to achieve stability in housing, reduce risks of homelessness and increase access to healthcare.

HOPWA Allocation and Distribution

- Proposed 2014 Allocation is \$339,000
- \$328,830 will be available for projects

QUESTIONS CONCERNING HOPWA Program

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Meeting Now Open for Public Comment for Proposed 2014 AAP

- Verbal Comments -
 - State and spell name & provide organization & full address
- Leave Comments with DED Staff
- E-mail Comments to: brian.gaskill@nebraska.gov
- Send Written Comments by mail to:
 - Nebraska Department of Economic Development
 - Attention: Brian Gaskill, Consolidated Plan Coordinator
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Thank You for Attending!

