July 2019 Revisions

Chapter 1: Introduction
- Added information regarding the new category, Emergent Threat. (pg. 2-3)
- Added second application cycle information for Downtown Revitalization (p.3)

Chapter 2: Economic Development
- Revised Employee Certification Form (pg. 18-20)
- Section 1.02, 2), provided clarification regarding demonstration of “essential goods and services (pg. 23)

Chapter 3: Downtown Revitalization
- Corrected typo under Match Requirements, the Section 6.03 was corrected to 6.01 (pg. 5)

Chapter 4: Public Works
- Added the activity codes “0083 Remodel Homeless Shelter Facilities” and “0094 Neighborhood Parks” to Part II. (pg. 12)

Chapter 6: Planning
- Updated the Application due date from October 15 to October 30 (pg. 5; pg. 24)

Chapter 9: Exhibits
- Added Exhibit G: Urgent Need Certification

Chapter 10: Emergent Threat
- New Category added
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Introduction

Community Development Block Grant
APPLICATION GUIDELINES
April 2019, Revised July 2019

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Introduction

The Nebraska Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program has the primary objective to strengthen and grow Nebraska communities through community betterment programs and services in order to provide a stable platform for community and economic development. The Housing and Community Development (HCD) Division of the Nebraska Department of Economic Development (DED) administers this CDBG program.

The Department’s role in CDBG project activities is to provide funding to communities for community development, housing, and economic development projects in order to leverage and utilize additional federal, state, and private resources within a community, providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities.

Activities that may use CDBG resources, including but not limited to the following:

- Library facilities;
- Business assistance;
- Sidewalk improvements;
- Water and sewer facilities;
- Community/Senior Centers;
- Infrastructure improvements;
- Owner-occupied rehabilitation;
- Downtown building façade improvements;
- Compliance with Americans with Disability Act (ADA) accessibility standards;
- Strategic and comprehensive planning efforts; and many other CDBG-eligible activities.

In order to apply for CDBG resources it is important for applicants to review the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan, the current Annual Action Plan, and the Application Guidelines for specific CDBG categories.

- **Annual Action Plan and Consolidated Plan:** [http://opportunity.nebraska.gov/reports](http://opportunity.nebraska.gov/reports)
- **Application Guidelines:** [http://opportunity.nebraska.gov/CDBG](http://opportunity.nebraska.gov/CDBG)

These Application Guidelines provide applicants with the necessary information in order to apply for CDBG resources. Each chapter details information for each category, including Section A. Overview; Section B. Application Forms and Instructions; and Section C. Application Guidelines. The three sections combined encompass the “Application Guidelines” for each specific category.

The following chapters provide specific information regarding the following CDBG categories:

- Chapter 1: Introduction
- Chapter 2: Economic Development
- Chapter 3: Downtown Revitalization
- Chapter 4: Public Works
- Chapter 5: Water/Wastewater
- Chapter 6: Planning
- Chapter 7: Owner Occupied Rehabilitation
- Chapter 8: Tourism Development
- Chapter 9: Exhibits
- Chapter 10: Emergent Threat
The below information is for summary purpose only, refer to the chapter for more information.

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