

DATES TO REMEMBER

RFP Available: Monday, May 25, 2009

RFP Conferences

Tuesday, June 2, 2009

CDBG (General) 9:00 AM—10:30 AM

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

HOME 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

CDBG (Public Services) 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Thursday, June 4, 2009

CDBG (Public Services) 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

ESG 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

All conferences will be held at:

8410 Lantern Point Drive

Houston, Texas 77054

RFP Technical Assistance Days:

June 15-19, 2009



Please call (713) 578-2030 for an appointment beginning June 8, 2009

RFP Deadline: Monday, June 29, 2009

Five (5) sealed copies and one (1) electronic copy on disc of application due:

By 2:00 PM (CST)

Harris County Purchasing Department

1001 Preston, Suite 670 (6th floor)

Harris County Community Services Department (HCCSD)
Office of Housing and Community Development
8410 Lantern Point Drive
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Notice of Funding Availability Program Year 2010 Request for Proposals (RFP) for CDBG, HOME and ESG



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Request for Proposals Workshops

WHAT IS THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) PROCESS?

Harris County has initiated the Program Year 2010, March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011, RFP process for community development, homeless, and housing projects. Through the competitive RFP application process, this department is responsible for distributing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Emergency Shelter Grants Program funds.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

Local government entities and non-profit organizations that provide basic community improvements and services to low-income persons and non-profit or for-profit organizations who are interested in the development of affordable housing in the Harris County service area are eligible to apply for funding. The Harris County service area includes the unincorporated portions of Harris County and cities that have signed a cooperative agreement with the County. *Baytown, Houston, and Pasadena are not within the Harris County service area.*

IMPORTANT NOTE

Attendance at the Workshops is included in the scoring of the applications and therefore encouraged. Funds for both CDBG Public Services and ESG will be significantly less due to project renewals.

The RFP will be available on May 25, 2009. To download and get general information, visit our website at www.csd.hctx.net. Access to the applications will require registration with the Harris County Purchasing Department.

Please contact Development Staff at rfp@csd.hctx.net or (713) 578-2030 if you have any questions.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) GENERAL PROJECTS

Eligible Activities

- ◆ Housing and other real property activities
- ◆ Property acquisition and site work
- ◆ Infrastructure
- ◆ Lead-based paint evaluation and reduction
- ◆ Code enforcement
- ◆ Historic preservation
- ◆ Public facilities and improvements
- ◆ Special activities by CBDO's

The CDBG General Projects Workshop will be:

Tuesday, June 2, 2009

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Application Review

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PUBLIC SERVICES

Eligible Activities

- ◆ Child Care
- ◆ Youth Development
- ◆ Recreation Programs
- ◆ Education Programs
- ◆ Job Training Programs
- ◆ Services for Senior Citizens and Disabled
- ◆ Health Care Programs
- ◆ Homeless Service Programs

The CDBG Public Services Workshops will be:

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM Application Review

and

Thursday, June 4, 2009

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Application Review

EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANTS (ESG)

Eligible Activities

- ◆ Renovation, major rehabilitation or conversion of buildings for use as emergency shelters or transitional housing
- ◆ Essential services including services concerned with employment, health, drug abuse, and education
- ◆ Operating costs such as maintenance, insurance, rent, security, and other costs associated with maintaining beds or units in the shelter
- ◆ Homeless prevention activities (short-term subsidies to defray mortgage/rent or utility arrearages)

The ESG Workshop will be:

Thursday, June 4, 2009

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM Application Review

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS (HOME)

Eligible Activities

- ◆ Homebuyer Activities: New construction of homes for homebuyers
- ◆ Tenant-Based Rental Assistance: Financial assistance for rent; security deposits; and under certain conditions, utility deposits
- ◆ Rental Housing: Affordable rental housing may be acquired or constructed

The HOME Workshop will be:

Wednesday, June 3, 2009

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Application Review