



The CDBG Coalition calls on Congress to fund at least \$4.2 Billion for CDBG formula grants in FY2022

What is CDBG?

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is a highly impactful federal program that allows State and local governments and their program partners to craft locally driven solutions to address urgent and important community development needs. Program activities focus on four areas: decent housing, infrastructure (public improvements), services, and economic development. The CDBG program grows local economies and improves the quality of lives for low- and moderate-income citizens. Over 1,200 jurisdictions receive an annual allocation of CDBG funds. Nationally, over 7,200 rural, suburban and urban communities have access to CDBG funds. Communities use CDBG to respond to current and emerging community development needs, including job creation, affordable housing development, improvement of existing housing stock, the delivery of services, and the development of infrastructure improvements.

CDBG Works



The program serves the Nation. Every State, U.S. Territory, and Congressional District has access to CDBG funding.



The program assists populations in need. Over 95% of the funds are directed to neighborhoods and families that are low/moderate-income (80% or less of area median income).



The program leverages other funding. For every \$1.00 of CDBG investment, another \$4.09 in private and public dollars is leveraged.



CDBG is a jobs generator. Since 2000, CDBG has created/retained over 1.6 million jobs.

Despite its success, CDBG remains underfunded

The CDBG program has been cut by nearly one billion dollars since FY 2001.

FY2001: \$4.4 BILLION

FY2021: \$3.475 BILLION

CDBG Impacts Millions of People

Annually

CDBG provides safe, decent, affordable housing.

Between FY05-FY20, CDBG assisted over **1.6 million low- and moderate-income households** rehabilitate their homes, provided down payment and closing cost assistance to qualified home buyers, and assisted homeowners with lead-based paint abatement, among other activities.

CDBG provides crucial public improvements to communities. Between FY05-FY20, CDBG public improvements directly benefitted **over 51 million low- and moderate-income people nationwide.** These

public improvements included senior centers, child care centers, group homes for persons with disabilities, homeless shelters, health clinics providing vaccinations and dental care to low-income children, sanitary water and sewer systems, safe streets, and improved drainage systems, among others.

CDBG provides vital public services. Between FY05-FY20, CDBG funding provided to local nonprofit organizations for public services programs assisted **over 160 million low- and moderate-income persons nationwide.** Public services activities included

operating cost assistance for programs serving the homeless, assistance to local food banks, services for low-income seniors, employment training, services for abused and neglected children, services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, health services for low-income people, and many other activities.

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For more information on CDBG and how the program benefits communities nationwide, please contact [Vicki Watson](#) with the [National Community Development Association](#).