

CITY OF DAVIS
CRITICAL NEEDS LIST
CDBG
Program Year 2024-2025

CDBG GENERAL POLICIES

The City of Davis has prioritized CDBG federal funding for two kinds of services: 1) Public Service awards to providers of services to individuals and families and 2) Non-Public Service awards for construction and rehabilitation housing projects serving the broad community. The following are general policies that will be applicable to all CDBG grant applications:

- An applicant must request the minimum amount of \$7,000
- Grant awards will not exceed the requested amount stated in the application
- Documentation of collaboration with other agencies is required and must be addressed in the written proposal
- All programs must serve low-income families or individuals

Organizations applying for CDBG funds receive preference if one or more of the following are met:

- Serve clients who are acutely low and very low income (50% of median income and below.)
- Leverage funds from the community or other private sources or use volunteers as part of its plan
- Efficiently deliver services—maintain a low-cost beneficiary ratio in relation to private and other organizations delivering similar services.
- Fill a unique niche among clients who are not currently served or are under-served. This includes new programs and initiatives or the restoration of previously existing programs that have experienced funding cuts.
- Have a process to identify and address disparities and remove barriers that perpetuate inequity.
- Have an organization budget less than \$500,000
- Focus on prevention and early intervention activities – that is, address issues before they develop or at an early stage to avoid more intensive treatment
- Spend the majority of the grant on serving those in need rather than on administrative costs

Public Service Funds

Organizations providing any health or human services programs are encouraged to apply. The following is a list of programs that were considered for or have received funding in the past. The list is illustrative only.

Prevention and Early Intervention

Child and Youth Services

- Care for children ages 0 to 5
- Child abuse prevention, including parent education.
- Youth drug and alcohol abuse prevention and counseling services
- Assistance to youth leaving foster care
- Domestic violence and trauma intervention services

Health Care

- Basic health care
- Health screening, education and outreach services
- Transportation to improve access to care

Homeless Services

- Shelter
- Housing counseling
- Housing First programs
- Emergency shelter for domestic violence victims

Hunger Services

- Food distribution, congregate meals, home-delivered meals to homebound individuals

Mental Health Services:

- Crisis Intervention Services
- Employment and socialization programs for those with chronic mental illness and those with disabilities
- Substance abuse prevention programs
- Self-sufficiency education services
- Outreach programs to raise awareness of mental health concerns and needs as well as empower individuals to respond effectively to mental health crises

Senior Adults and Individuals with Disabilities

- Senior abuse prevention services
- Care giver support and education services
- Self-sufficiency education services including money management
- In-home care, respite care, and adult day care
- Care coordination to maintain individuals in the least restrictive environment
- Visitor support services
- Services to prevent social isolation
- Transportation services

Treatment and Support Services

Child and Youth Services:

- Services for foster youth
- Drug and substance use intervention and treatment services
- Transportation to improve access to care

Homeless Services:

- Transitional housing
- Housing counseling

Mental Health Services

- Treatment services for children and youth; adults and senior adults; those with disabilities; families

Service Linkages

- Assistance facilitating service linkages and helping individuals navigate systems of care to improve access

Non-Public Service Funds

Non-Public Service dollars may be used for one of the following four categories: Housing, Removal of Barriers to Accessibility for the Physically Disabled, Public Facilities, and Neighborhood Revitalization. The highest priority is for the construction and rehabilitation of housing and public facility projects that serve acutely-low to very-low income persons/households, especially permanent supportive housing projects. The City also focuses an annual allotment of CDBG funding on the removal of barriers to accessibility within public facilities and right-of-way.

1. **Housing:** The federal program allows funds for the development of affordable housing units that meet one of the following criteria:

- Target Individuals with acutely low to very low incomes or those with physical, mental, or developmental disabilities.
 - Use Rental Subsidies for families with very low incomes, or temporarily subsidize individuals to prevent homelessness, or for the transition of adults from homelessness to permanent housing and permanent employment.
 - Improve Accessibility to achieve fully accessible residential units and projects that increase visit ability and accessibility.
 - Promote Sustainability by rehabilitating existing affordable housing for extremely low-income, very low-income, and low-income residents.
2. **Accessibility for Individuals with Physical Disabilities:** Removal of architectural barriers with emphasis on widely used public facilities.
 3. **Public Facilities:** Facilities used to serve those identified as having critical needs as well as for community-wide services.
 4. **Neighborhood Revitalization:** Targeted toward activities that improve housing, economic development, and community services in areas with 50% or more of the residents qualifying as low-income.