



## **Texas Community Resiliency Program**

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) is pleased to announce the release of a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) of \$38 million in Community Development Block Grant CARES Act (CDBG-CV) funds for the Community Resiliency Program (CRP) for non-entitlement cities and counties to create, expand, or enhance public facilities that provide medical care, social services, and/or non-congregate housing and increase the community's long-term resiliency and ability to mitigate current and future coronavirus outbreaks. Further, because few rural and small metro areas have had the opportunity to implement mobile response units or emergency medical services that would have a positive impact on their capability to reach certain households, CRP funds allow for the purchase of equipment to increase capacity to carry out a public service which meets CDBG-CV eligibility. All proposed projects must entail a Coronavirus tieback.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, non-congregate homeless shelters, health clinics/facilities, medical facilities, domestic violence facilities, and senior centers have been required to reduce capacity and services to clients, and establish non-congregate shelter options to adhere to CDC guidelines and social distancing. Community Resiliency Program funds will allow low- and moderate-income areas, and rural and small metro communities to address gaps in their ability to prepare, prevent and respond to COVID-19 or a future pandemic. Many rural and smaller urban areas lack capacity in these critical areas, which limited a quick, safe and effective response to the pandemic. Public facility structures can be modified or constructed with these funds to prevent the transmission of the coronavirus and allow for adequate social distancing or remote access. The minimum request amount per project is \$500,000 and the maximum is \$5,000,000.

CDBG CARES (CDBG-CV) Eligible Activities to prevent, prepare for, or respond to Coronavirus:

- Public Facilities and Improvements – Acquisition, Rehabilitation, and/or New Construction
- Public Services – Mobile food pantries, Mobile Health Clinics, Mobile Response Units

The **CRP NOFA and Application** were released on Friday, October 1, 2021 and all CRP applications must be submitted by **5:00 p.m. Austin Central Time on Tuesday, November 30, 2021**. All application materials can be found at <https://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/CDBG-CARES.htm> and will be discussed in detail during the *CRP NOFA and Application Workshop* webinar.

The **CRP NOFA and Application Workshop** webinar will be held on **Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.** Registration is required for the CRP NOFA and Application Workshop webinar. If you have any questions about the NOFA or application for CRP funds, please contact [CRP@tdhca.state.tx.us](mailto:CRP@tdhca.state.tx.us). Scan the QR Code for more information and to link to the CDBG CARES website.



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