

**ESSEX COUNTY
DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
PUBLIC NOTICE**

July 21, 2023

Essex County Division of Housing & Community Development
20 Crestmont Road
Verona, NJ 07044
(973) 655-0200

Citizens of Essex County are invited to submit applications for Community Development Block Grant – CV funds which are available from the Essex County Division of Housing and Community Development. CDBG CV funds were allocated to Essex County via the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act. Eligible activities must be in compliance with HUD's requirements for achieving a national objective and servicing a predominantly low to moderate income population, and must also help prevent, prepare for, or respond to the coronavirus. Grantees must document how a proposed activity is impacted by the current pandemic or is mitigating potential future concerns related to the coronavirus pandemic. Eligible CDBG-CV activities include traditional CDBG uses as well as activities that were initiated or expanded in response to the pandemic. Proposed capital projects should start and finish by August 1, 2024, and service agencies should budget expenditures to be fully drawn by or before August 1, 2024. CDBG CV funding cannot be a duplication of benefits received, or to be received, from other resources for the proposed activity. Applicants must demonstrate that services and benefits will be delivered to income eligible residents from the 18 municipalities comprising the Essex County Consortium (all County municipalities except for Bloomfield, East Orange, Irvington and Newark which receive independent CDBG CV entitlements directly). For certain activities with sufficient documentation, the County will consider reimbursing agencies for eligible Covid related costs that were incurred since October 1, 2020 (excludes previously completed site renovation projects).

Applications should be submitted via the link for CDBG CV funding that is accessible from the County's application portal at <https://portal.neighborlysoftware.com/essexcountynj/Participant>; preparers of the applications should register at this same site. For assistance with the application portal, contact the Essex County Division of Housing and Community Development, 20 Crestmont Road, Verona, NJ at (973) 655-0200.

Additional details about the application and eligible activities are presented in the Program Description page of the online application.

All applications must be submitted via the application portal by 6 PM on Monday, August 7, 2023. Upon review and approval, the County will prepare an amendment to its Action Plans for submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

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