

CDBG PUBLIC SERVICES

Funding Application Instructions and Program Requirements

Program Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027

The Application Portal will go live on 12/1/2025.

- Applications can be found on the City's website: cityofwhiteplains.com/communitydevelopment. New programs are encouraged to apply.
- Applications will only be accepted through the City's **online forms center** and will not be accepted through any other transmission format (*email, postal, hand-delivered, etc.*)
- Applications are due no later than **Friday, January 16, 2026 at 4PM.**
- Application completeness is critical. All questions require a response. No supplemental materials will be accepted unless requested.
- Applications will be evaluated on the following:
 - Benefit to low- and moderate-income City residents
 - Benefit to [CDBG target areas](#)
 - Justification of program need and availability of similar programs
 - Cost reasonableness and effectiveness
 - Past performance, compliance and effectiveness (if applicable)
- The minimum grant award for public services is **\$8,000.**
The maximum grant award for public services is **\$20,000.**
- Applicants must attend **ONE** of the following **VIRTUAL** Pre-Application Workshops:

Session 1	Wednesday, December 3, 2025	1:00 PM	Register here
-OR-			
Session 2	Friday, December 5, 2025	11:00 AM	Register here

****Please have the person completing the application attend the workshop!**

If you are having trouble registering, do not hesitate to contact Fredy Artunduaga at fartunduaga@whiteplainsny.gov or 914-422-1300.

- Applicants are required to attend and present at the CDCAC Public Hearing on **January 29, 2026 at 6:30 PM. Applicants who do not attend the public hearing will NOT be considered for grant funding.**
- All beneficiaries/participants of proposed programs and services *must be City of White Plains residents* and verification records must be available for on-site monitoring.
- **CURRENT SUB-GRANTEES:** As stated in your current contract, at least 50% of your grant award must be vouchered by **January 15, 2026.** If this is not possible, the sub-grantee must provide written documentation with a valid reason for failure to comply **prior to December 31, 2025.** Failure to do so will limit the sub-grantees eligibility to receive CDBG funds in FY 2026-27. See your current contract for full details.

Please note the following:

1. Funding is dependent on HUD's issuance of the City's annual CDBG agreement. For 2026-27, the City estimates receiving **\$850,000** in federal funds under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. *Actual funding depends upon official notification from HUD.* CDBG sub-recipients will receive grant award letters upon the City's receipt of HUD funding agreements.
2. Grants are administered on a reimbursement basis only; federal funds can only be used for White Plains residents with legal status; federal funds cannot be used for political or religious purposes. **Do not assume repeat funding or funding at previous levels.**
3. The review team consists of Community Development program staff, the Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee, the Common Council and HUD. The review team will begin reviewing applications after January 17, 2026.
4. The City of White Plains endeavors to make all public meetings accessible to persons with any sort of disability. With 72 hours advance notice, special assistance will be provided for persons requiring assistance at public meetings. Please call 914-422-1300 or email CommunityDevelopment@whiteplainsny.gov to request an accommodation to participate in any meeting.

CONTACT US:

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White Plains CDBG Program Background

The City of White Plains (“the City”) Department of Planning, Community Development (“CD”) Program, is soliciting public input on the development of the 2026-27 Annual Action Plan. White Plains is a designated U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) entitlement community and is required to develop an Action Plan annually. The Annual Action Plan describes the City’s proposed use of an estimated **\$850,000** in projected federal funds for FY 2026-27 under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. *Actual funding depends upon official notification from HUD.* The primary objective of the CDBG program is the development of viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low- and moderate-income.

The announcement of funding availability and the release of this CDBG Public Service Funding Application begins the planning process for the development of the 2026-27 Annual Action Plan.

A successful application must benefit low- and moderate-income residents, benefit residents of designated [CDBG target areas](#), include CDBG eligible activities, and demonstrate cost reasonableness and effectiveness.

Federal Funding Overview

Under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, cities such as White Plains are provided with an opportunity to implement community improvement programs and/or projects not otherwise possible under the constraints of the regular City budget. In order to receive the funding, the City must submit an Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027. This plan includes a list of projects and programs designed to meet one or more of the National Objectives set forth by HUD.

General Conditions for Participating in the CDBG Program

Each participating agency must be recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a tax-exempt 501(c)3 or (c)4 entity OR be a faith-based organization. If your organization is a 501(c)3 or (c)4, you must submit a copy of your Letter of Determination from the IRS with your application. Groups that have not been recognized by the IRS as tax exempt entities are encouraged to apply for such status and, in the meantime, may apply for funding through a 501(c)3 or (c)4 organization that is willing to act as your fiscal sponsor.