

CDBG COALITION SURVEY: THE IMPACT OF CDBG CUTS

Preparing for the Survey

This document is intended to help you prepare to complete the CDBG Coalition's survey on the impact cuts to the Community Development Block Grant program will have on your state or community.

Before you begin the survey, please review the list below and gather the information that is relevant to your agency's CDBG program.

Information you will need to complete the survey

- Entitlement communities: The Congressional district(s) in which your community is located
- Your Fiscal Year 2004 and Fiscal Year 2006 CDBG allocations
- For each of the following categories, the total number of persons you served with your FY 2004 allocation and the number you estimate you will serve with your FY 2006 allocation
 - o Low- and Moderate-Income (LMI) persons
 - o Elderly persons
 - o Special needs persons
 - o Homeless persons
- The number of households you served through homeowner and rehab programs with your FY 2004 allocation and the number you estimate you will serve with your FY 2006 allocation, including:
 - o First-time homebuyers
 - o Minority homebuyers
 - o Elderly households (for rehab)
- For each of the following, the results you achieved using your FY 2004 allocation and the results you expect to achieve with your FY 2006 allocation
 - o Businesses assisted
 - o Jobs created
 - o Jobs retained
- The number of jobs that will be lost, if any, within your agency due to a reduction in your CDBG allocation
- Entitlement communities: For the following categories, information on any previously planned (but not yet started) public improvement projects that will have to be canceled or delayed due to a reduction in your CDBG allocation, including how many persons you estimate would have been served by these projects:
 - o Water/Sewer Improvement Projects
 - o Remediation of real or suspected environmental contamination
 - o Street Improvement Projects

- o Sidewalk Projects
- o Community and Neighborhood Centers/Senior Centers/Youth Centers/Children Centers/Centers for the Disabled and Handicapped
- o Homeless Facilities/Health Facilities/Abused and Neglected Children Facilities/Facilities for AIDS Patients
- o Parks and Recreation Facilities
- o Fire Stations and Equipment
- The number of CDBG funding requests you expect to receive this year and the number you expect to be able to fund

Additional Hurricane-related Questions

The survey includes additional questions specific to states and communities experiencing needs related to the 2005 hurricane season. To prepare for these questions, review the following:

1. The estimated percentage of your *regular* FY 2006 CDBG allocation that will be applied toward hurricane-related activities
2. The types of hurricane-related activities you will fund using your regular FY 2006 CDBG allocation, including:
 - o Public services
 - o Emergency housing (such as shelters, hotel rooms)
 - o Transitional housing (such as trailers or other forms of replacement housing)
 - o Intake centers to provide disaster assistance through counseling, public services, etc.
 - o Residential and commercial mortgage assistance, through activities such as property buyouts
 - o Flood proofing, land clearance, and other mitigation activities
 - o Demolition and removal of damaged structures
 - o Infrastructure repair, including water/sewer
 - o Economic development assistance for businesses
3. Previously planned projects and ongoing activities that will be canceled, delayed, or suspended due to a need to divert CDBG funds to hurricane relief and recovery efforts
4. The extent to which previously CDBG-assisted infrastructure and/or housing projects were destroyed or damaged during the 2005 hurricane season and your plans for rebuilding or making repairs
5. Reimbursements, if any, your agency has received from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)