

# RE-SUBMITTAL OF CDBG-R SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT

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**In July, 2010 the Town of Bridgton changed its use of CDBG-R funds from Façade Improvements in Pondicherry Square to sidewalk construction and reconstruction. This document reflects this change.**

**All other aspects of the Substantial Amendent submitted to the HUD Manchester, NH Field Office, June 5, 2009 remain the same.**

## Introduction

This 2008 Annual Action Plan Amendment is the method by which Cumberland County will access the HUD/CDBG portion of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act) funds. The U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) identifies these funds as **CDBG-R**. As an entitlement jurisdiction, receiving funds in Federal fiscal year 2008, Cumberland County is eligible for CDBG-R funds. The County must submit the Amendment to our program year 2008 Action Plan to the HUD Manchester, NH Field Office by June 5, 2009.

## Available Funds

Total CDBG-R Allocation - \$395,941, divided as follows:

City of South Portland set-aside allocation - \$131,714

Town of Bridgton set-aside allocation - \$59,271

Balance of County communities - \$204,956

## Expenditure Limits

Administrative Cap - \$5,927 of the CDBG-R funds are proposed for administrative expenses for the Town of Bridgton and \$1,714 for the City of South Portland. No other administrative funds will be used. This represents 2% of CDBG-R funds, well below the 10% administrative cap.

Public Service Cap - 2% of CDBG-R funds are proposed for public service activities, well below the 15% cap

Other Recovery Act Funding - No other Recovery Act funds will be used for the projects selected.

Use of Funds - Low/moderate-income benefit \$388,300 - 98%; administration, \$7,641 - 2%

## Project Expedience

The projects and activities selected for funding will begin during the months of August and September 2009 and be completed by June 2010. Most will be completed during the months of September & October.

## CDBG-R Projects & Activities

The seven community based projects located in six municipalities and one region-wide activity have been selected to receive CDBG-R funds.

- 1) Town of Bridgton – Sidewalk construction, reconstruction & granite curb installation, Depot Street & Town parking lot, Pondicherry Square redevelopment area.
- 2) Town of Scarborough - Reconstruction of a portion of Pine Point Road
- 3) City of South Portland - Sidewalk reconstruction: Ferry Village & Pleasantdale
- 4) Town of Windham - Installation of fire hydrants
- 5) Town of Windham - Building relocation & renovations to food pantry
- 6) County-wide activity - PROP - Emergency home repair; Housing rehabilitation in conjunction with energy conservation measures
- 7) County-wide activity - Wayside Food Rescue Program

### **1) Town of Bridgton – Sidewalk construction & reconstruction, Pondicherry Square Redevelopment Area**

Timeline: Sidewalk construction, reconstruction & granite curb installation September 2010 construction start. Late October 2010 construction finish

CDBG-R Funds: \$53,344

Matching Funds: \$0.00

Result: Continued visible progress in the revitalization & redevelopment of downtown Bridgton.

Jobs created/retained: Estimated 1,300 person/hours of labor; 170 worker days

Address ARRA by: Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery; Investing in transportation infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits.

Activity Narrative: The project will be the construction of a new sidewalk & curb on Depot Street & the reconstruction of the sidewalk from the Town parking lot to Main Street. These activities will occur adjacent to the Pondicherry Square redevelopment area in Downtown Bridgton.

National Objective: Area-wide benefit to low/moderate income. The project is located in census tract 60, block group 4: 58.6% low/moderate income. The Town of Bridgton is 45.5% low/moderate income, above the Cumberland County exception rule threshold of 40.6%.

Eligible Activity #: 24CFR 570.201(c) Public Facilities & Improvements

### **2) Town of Scarborough - Reconstruction of a portion of Pine Point Road**

Timeline: September 2009 construction start. November 2009 construction finish

CDBG-R: \$85,000

Matching Funds: \$85,000 local funds

Result: Reconstruction of the end of Pine Point road to eliminate pedestrian and vehicle traffic conflicts and the potential of serious traffic accidents.

Jobs created/retained: Estimated 1,200 person/hours of labor; 150 worker days, up to 10 individual workers

Address ARRA by: Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery; investing in transportation infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits;

Activity Narrative: The project will reconstruct a re-designed portion of Pine Point Road between Jones Creek Dr. & King St. The project includes the installation of curbing and full depth roadway reconstruction. The result will be improved drainage conditions, and as a result of a redesigned &

engineered intersection less pavement leading to greatly improved pedestrian, bicycle and vehicle safety.

National Objective: Area-wide benefit to low/moderate income. The project is located in census tract 38, block group 7: 56.4% low/moderate income neighborhood

Eligible Activity #: 24CFR 570.201(c) Public Facilities & Improvements

### **3) City of South Portland - Sidewalk construction & reconstruction**

Timeline: September 2009 construction start. November 2009 construction finish

CDBG-R Funds: \$130,000

Matching Funds: \$50,000 - ME DOT, Safe Routes to School Grant Program

Result: Installation of new sidewalk on Spring St, rehabilitation of sidewalks on Summit, Thompson, North Kelsey & Chapel Streets. Total of 4,600 linear feet of new and reconstructed sidewalks will be completed.

Jobs created/retained: Estimated 7,200 person/hours of labor; 450 worker days, up to 30 individual workers

Address ARRA by: Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery; Investing in transportation infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits

Activity Narrative: The projects continue South Portland's commitment to developing and maintaining a comprehensive system of pedestrian transportation throughout the community. The Spring Street project is tied to children walking from the Ferry Village neighborhood to the Small School on Thompson Street.

National Objective: Area-wide benefit to low/moderate income.

Eligible Activity #: 24CFR 570.201(c) Public Facilities & Improvements

### **4) Town of Windham - Installation of fire hydrants**

Timeline: September 2009 construction start. November 2009 construction finish

CDBG-R Funds: \$16,000

Matching Funds: \$4,000 local funds

Result: Installation of 4 new fire hydrants in low/moderate income neighborhood

Jobs created/retained: Estimated 343 person/hours of labor; 43 worker days, up to 13 individual workers.

Address ARRA by: Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery; Investing in infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits

Activity Narrative: The project will install four fire hydrants to increase fire fighting capacity at four locations: 2 on Windham Center Rd; 1 on Albion Rd; 1 on Pope Rd. The project will significantly enhance public safety and the safety of fire fighting personnel. Many of the homes in these neighborhoods are small, modest wood-frame dwellings, often originally built as camps without the benefit of modern construction technologies and materials. The provision of available water in the event of fire is critical to saving lives and property.

National Objective: Area-wide benefit to low/moderate income. Census tract 48, block group 21; Census tract 48, block group 32.

Eligible Activity #: 24CFR 570.201(c) Public Facilities & Improvements

### **5) Town of Windham - Building relocation and renovations to food pantry**

Timeline: September 2009 construction start. November 2009 construction finish

CDBG-R: \$20,000

Matching Funds: \$5,000 local funds

Result: Expansion of food pantry storage capacity & meeting critical need to serve expanding numbers of households.

Jobs created/retained: Estimated 544 person/hours of labor; 68 worker days, up to 6 individual workers.

Address ARRA by: Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery; Assisting those most impacted by the recession.

Activity Narrative: The project will entail the relocation of a surplus modular classroom building to the Windham Human Services Building, Gray Road Windham. Once the building is moved water, sewer & electricity will be connected. The building will be utilized for the storage of foods and other necessities to be distributed by the Windham Food Pantry for distribution to low-income households. The food pantry expansion will serve the rapidly increasing need for food and household necessities of low-income Windham residents. There can be no more basic service then the provision of foods to those in need.

National Objective: Direct benefit to low/moderate income clients served

Eligible Activity #: 24 CFR 570.201(c) Public Facilities & Improvements

#### **6) People's Regional Opportunity Program (PROP), County-wide activity**

Timeline: August 2009 start

CDBG-R Funds: \$76,000

Matching Funds: No local funds. Will match significant resources provided by the Dept. of Energy

Result: Completion of 6-8 critical emergency home repairs; rehabilitation of 4 homes in conjunction with housing weatherization activities.

Jobs created/retained: Estimated 1600 person hours of construction activity, 200 worker days, up to 25 individual workers employed

Address ARRA by: Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery; Assisting those most impacted by the recession; Fostering energy independence

Activity Narrative: Funds will be utilized to address two critical needs: \$50,000 for emergency home repairs primarily for elderly and disabled clients frequently associated with the failure of heating systems during the winter months. \$26,000 to be utilized for necessary housing rehabilitation in conjunction with home weatherization funded by DOE resources. For example: the replacement of an aged, leaking roof prior to attic insulation.

National Objective: Direct benefit to low/moderate income client recipients.

Eligible Activity #: 24CFR 570.202(a)(1) Housing Rehabilitation

#### **7) Wayside Food Rescue Program, County-wide activity**

Timeline: August 2009 start

CDBG-R Funds: \$7,956

Matching Funds: \$ -0-

Result: Distribution of critical non-food essentials to 1000 people at 15 food pantry locations

Jobs created/retained: none

Address ARRA by: Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services; Assisting those most impacted by the recession

Activity Narrative: The project addresses the provision of absolutely essential non-food items to the poorest families at 15 food pantry sites throughout Cumberland County. The program will source, manage and distribute the following non-food items: infant care products, particularly diapers, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, personal sundries (soap, shampoo, toothpaste) toilet paper and first aid supplies. The funds will also purchase two commercial freezers for two of the food pantry sites. This equipment will be USA manufactured.

National Objective: Direct benefit to low/moderate income client recipients.

Eligible Activity #: 24CFR 570.201(e) Public Services

## **Jobs Created**

Town of Bridgton - Façade Improvement Program, Pondicherry Square redevelopment area. 1,300 person hours of construction activity, 170 worker days, 10 individual workers employed

Town of Scarborough - Reconstruction of a portion of Pine Point Road. 1,200 person hours of construction activity, 150 worker days, 10 individual workers employed

City of South Portland - Sidewalk reconstruction. 7,200 person hours of construction activity, 450 worker days, up to 30 individual workers

Town of Windham - Installation of fire hydrants. 343 person hours of construction activity, 43 worker days, 13 individual workers employed

Town of Windham - Building relocation and renovations to food pantry. 544 worker hours of construction activity, 68 worker days, 6 individual workers

PROP - Emergency home repair and weatherization. 1600 person hours of construction activity, 200 worker days, up to 25 individual workers employed

Wayside Food Rescue Program - No additional jobs created

## **Additional Activity Information**

Town of Bridgton – Sidewalk construction, reconstruction & curb installation on Depot Street & Town parking area adjacent to the Pondicherry Square redevelopment area. Redevelopment of downtown Bridgton, the largest service center in Northern Cumberland County is “smart growth”. The entire goal of the redevelopment initiative is the re-creation of a vibrant, walkable, workable, downtown shopping/working district to reduce sprawl, conserve energy and build a dynamic sustainable community.

Town of Scarborough - Reconstruction of a portion of Pine Point Road. Reduced traffic congestion will diminish vehicle idling.

City of South Portland - Sidewalk construction & reconstruction. The goal of the South Portland, Ferry Village and Pleasantdale neighborhood sidewalk installation and reconstruction is to promote in-town neighborhood living, walking communities, reduced cars trips

Town of Windham - Installation of fire hydrants. Installation of these four fire hydrants will permit compact residential development and efficient land use.

Town of Windham - Renovations to food pantry. Re-use of surplus modular building will conserve energy in comparison to constructing a new building.

PROP - Emergency home repair and weatherization. Project promotes energy conservation through home weatherization.

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## **Public Participation**

The distribution of CDBG-R funds was reviewed at the May 14, 2009 meeting of the Cumberland County Community Development, Municipal Oversight Committee (MOC). The selection of projects and activities was endorsed by the MOC.

Notice of the County Commissioners Public Hearing scheduled for June 1, 2009 was announced on the County web-site, May 19, 2009.

Notice of the County Commissioners meeting and the availability of the Annual Action Plan Amendment were sent to and posted in all 24 communities of the Cumberland County Entitlement Jurisdiction on May 21, 2009.

The 2008 Annual Action Plan Amendment was placed on the County's web-site on May 26, 2009 meeting the minimum 7-day notice required by CDBG-R regulations.

During the public hearing, public comment was invited and the amendment adopted by resolution by the County Commissioners.

Summary of public comments received to the proposed CDBG-R Substantial Amendment:

No oral comments from the public received. One written comment from Susan Violet, Director of the Wayside Food Rescue Program: Ms. Violet thanked the Municipal Oversight Committee and the Commissioners for including the grant to the Rescue Program.

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Activity Data Spreadsheet

Jurisdiction/Grantee Name: Cumberland County, Maine		CDBG-R Formula Grant Amount: \$395,941				Date: June 1, 2009, revised June 16, 2009, revised July 19, 2010	
<b>Activity Name</b>	<b>Activity Description</b>	<b>Eligibility (Regulatory or HCDA Citation)</b>	<b>National Objective Citation</b>	<b>CDBG-R Project Budget (\$)</b>	<b>Additional Recovery Funds (\$)</b>	<b>Other Leveraged Funding (\$)</b>	<b>Total Activity Budget</b>
Administration	Program administration for Town of Bridgton & City of South Portland	570.206	570.208(d)(4)	\$7,641	\$0	\$0	\$7,641
Bridgton - Sidewalk Improvement	Sidewalk construction, reconstruction & granite curb installation on Depot St. & Town parking area adjacent to Pondicherry Square District\	570.201(c)	570.208(a)(1)(ii) - LMA	\$53,344	\$0	\$0	\$53,344
Scarborough - Road Reconstruction	Reconstruction of Pine Point Road - Jones Creek Rd. to King St.	570.201(c)	570.208(a)(1)(ii) - LMA	\$85,000	\$0	\$85,000	\$170,000
South Portland	Construction & reconstruction of sidewalks	570.201(c)	570.208(a)(1)(ii) - LMA	\$130,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$180,000
Windham - Fire Hydrants	Installation of 4 fire hydrants	570.201(c)	570.208(a)(1)(ii) - LMA	\$16,000	\$0	\$4,000	\$20,000
Windham - Food Pantry	Relocation and renovations modular building for food pantry expansion	570.201(c)	570.208(a)(1)(ii) - LMA	\$20,000	\$0	\$5,000	\$25,000
Wayside Food Rescue	Distribution of essential household items and sundaries	570.201(e)	570.208(a)(2) - LMC	\$7,956	\$0	\$0	\$7,956
PROP - Home Repair	Emergency home repair and housing rehabilitation in conjunction with home weatherization projects	570.202(a)(1)	570.208(a)(3)	\$76,000	\$850,000	\$300,000	\$1,226,000
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$395,941</b>	<b>\$850,000</b>	<b>\$444,000</b>	<b>\$1,689,941</b>