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**Community & Rural Affairs**  
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Working with local, state, and national partners to provide resources and technical assistance to aid rural communities in shaping their visions for economic development.

# Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

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- Indiana administers federal funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). OCRA uses these funds to provide grants to small cities, towns, and counties with populations of less than 50,000 residents for community improvement projects.
- These federal funds are used to implement a variety of activities for housing and community development projects.



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# Community Focus Funds (CFF)

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- Commonly used for:
  - Infrastructure
  - Clearance
  - Senior centers
  - Special needs facilities
  - Fire trucks
  - Community centers
  - Libraries
  - Downtown Revitalizations
  - Planning



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- Two or three competitive funding rounds per year.
- Maximum grant amount cannot exceed \$600,000.
- Required local match of at least 10% of the total project cost, cash or debt.
- Projects must benefit low to moderate income persons or eliminate slum/blight.



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- Not-for-profit organizations are eligible as sub-recipients if necessary.
- Funds awarded will have a significant impact on the total project.
- Must be ready to proceed and be completed in 18 months.
- Must use a certified Grant Administrator.



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