The City of Rapid City is seeking Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding letters of interest (LOI) from organizations with projects/programs located within the city limits of Rapid City, South Dakota, principally benefitting households at or below 80% Area Median Income.

Eligible respondents include non-profit organizations, government agencies, school districts, institutions of higher education, or, in limited circumstances, for-profit businesses.

Project/program types, listed in order of priority:

1. Construction of rental units
2. Construction of housing facilities*
3. Rehabilitation of owner-occupied housing units
4. Construction of owner-occupied housing units
5. Rehabilitation of rental units
6. Other public facility construction or improvements
7. Public Services
   Examples include:
   - Rental assistance/homeless prevention
   - Mental health treatment/services
   - Substance abuse treatment/services
   - Early childhood education/child care
   - Domestic violence services
   - Transportation
8. Economic development
   Examples include:
   - Individual Development Accounts
   - Microenterprise loans

* Housing facilities may include but are not limited to foster homes, senior living centers, homeless shelters, domestic violence shelters, housing for individuals with disabilities, and group homes.
The LOI should include the project description, project budget, timeline, expected outcomes, and organization’s capacity for project delivery. Additionally, please include the following information:

1. The main project contact name, phone number, and email.
2. The project location.
3. The number and types of units to be constructed or rehabilitated (only for housing projects)
4. The number of individuals to be served by the project.
5. The amount and source of secured funding for the project.
6. Project partners with contact information, if applicable.

The LOI must be delivered (via U.S. Postal Service, private mailing service, or hand delivery) by 4:00 p.m. Mountain Time September 22, 2021, to the address below. Emails will not be considered.

Community Enrichment Division  
City of Rapid City  
300 6th Street  
Rapid City, SD 57701

Once reviewed, qualified respondents will be invited to apply for CDBG funding. Rapid City’s Federal CDBG funding allocation is estimated to be $500,000; $100,000 will be retained by the City for planning and administrative purposes.

Anticipated Timeline:

LOI Deadline: September 22  
Invitation to Apply: prior to October 1  
Application Deadline: October 29  
Preliminary Funding Approval: prior to November 12  
Final Funding Approval: prior to December 23

Construction/Rehab Projects: By responding, you understand that if awarded, Indenture of Restrictive Covenants and/or Mortgages will be required to be filed against the property to recover funding if the building ceases to be used for an eligible activity or to benefit low-to-moderate income people for the compliance period. Awards in excess of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000) shall remain in compliance until thirty (30) years from the end of the CDBG program fiscal year in which funded activities were completed.

The CDBG program is authorized under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, Public Law 93-383, as amended; 42 U.S.C. 5301 et seq. CDBG program requirements apply.
Please note: Eligible applicants must have an active DUNS number registered in the System for Award Management (https://beta.sam.gov/content/home). Organizations responding to this LOI should begin the registration process prior to an invitation to apply.

Interested parties are encouraged to contact the Community Enrichment Division with any questions concerning eligibility or program requirements.

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