



REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS (RFA) FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG), HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP (HOME), HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ACTION GRANT (HODAG), STATE HOUSING INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP (SHIP) AND EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT (ESG) FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2009 ACTION PLAN

The Miami-Dade County Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED) and the Miami-Dade Homeless Trust are announcing the availability of applications for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership (HOME), Housing Development Action Grant (HODAG), State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP), and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) funds. CDBG funds may be used to undertake activities that meet identified needs for low-and moderate-income persons and/or low-and moderate-income areas. HOME and SHIP funds may be used to facilitate the construction of affordable housing single-family homes and/or the construction or rehabilitation of multi-family units for low-and moderate-income persons and homeless persons. **The RFA is not soliciting any application for homeownership new construction except from CHDOs with currently funded homeownership projects funded through HOME CHDO set-aside funds.** HODAG funds must be used only for the creation of multifamily rental housing. ESG funds are used for emergency shelter and supportive services for the homeless.

Applications addressing neighborhood needs (charts attached with the application) that have been identified and ranked as high priorities in the FY 2008-2012 Consolidated Plan will be given preference for funding consideration. Applicants must demonstrate that they have the necessary experience and capacity to carry out the activities for which funding is sought. Eligible applicants are limited to 501(c) (3) not-for-profit corporations, for-profit corporations, community based organizations, not-for-profit housing corporations or other entities registered with the State of Florida.

A separate application must be completed and submitted for each activity for which funding is being requested. **THIS RFA IS NOT SOLICITING APPLICATIONS FOR PUBLIC SERVICES.**

The RFA package contains the guidelines and instructions for the preparation of funding requests. Information and technical assistance on the preparation of the application will be provided by OCED's staff for CDBG, HOME, HODAG and SHIP funds and the Miami-Dade Homeless Trust for ESG and homeless set aside funds. Technical assistance workshops will be held on the following dates: 1) **July 28, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at 701 NW 1 Court, 1st Floor Training Room, Miami, FL 33136**

2) **July 30, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the South Dade Regional Library Auditorium, 10750 SW 211 Street, Miami, FL, 33189**

3) **August 5, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Joseph Caleb Center, 5400 N.W. 22nd Avenue, Meeting Room #110, Miami, FL 33142**

Applicants that have questions about this application may call OCED's Community and Economic Development Division for CDBG and HOME funds or the Development and Loan Administration Division for HODAG and SHIP funds at (786) 469-2100 and the Miami-Dade Homeless Trust for ESG and homeless set aside funds at (305) 375-1490.

Application submission deadline is noon, August 22, 2008. Applications submitted after the NOON deadline will not be accepted.

Applications may be picked up from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Beginning Thursday, July 24, 2008 at:

The Miami-Dade County Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED)

701 NW 1 Court, Suite 1400, Miami, Florida 33136

The applications are also available on OCED's website at www.miamidade.gov/ced/ for downloading only.

Completed applications must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board, at the Stephen P. Clark Center, 17th Floor, 111 N.W. First Street, Miami, Florida 33128 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. from July 24, 2008 through August 21, 2008.

On Friday, **August 22, 2008 completed applications must be submitted**, no later than 12:00 noon, at the Miami-Dade County Housing Agency Board Room, 1401 NW 7 Street, Miami, Florida 33125