

Miami-Dade County Public Housing and Community Development

FY 2024 CDBG, HOME and ESG RFA

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QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

PHCD's responses below become a part of the guidance for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Request for Applications (RFA).

CDBG and ESG Questions

1. **Question:** Regarding this match requirement statement in the RFA: There is a match requirement for ESG funding (24 CFR 576.201) that requires an equal amount of funds from cash or the following in-kind sources: new staff, volunteer time, the donation of materials and buildings, or the value of any lease on a building. The ESG match requirement will be provided by Miami-Dade Homeless Trust for the successful awardees.

Do we budget for both the amount we are applying for and an identical amount that the Homeless Trust will be adding as a equal amount? Or do we just apply for our request amount and then when awarded, the Homeless Trust provides an equal amount that we increase our budget by? Please clarify this match process. Also, the link to the PowerPoint Presentation in the question and answer pdf located on the website does not work.

PHCD Response: Respondents should include a budget that includes 100% match. An example of how to show match funds in the proposed budget is below:

Activity	Request	Match
Rental Assistance	\$200,000	
2 FTEs Case Manager		\$80,000
2 FTEs Supportive Employment Specialists		\$70,000
1 FTE HMIS Admin		\$50,000
Total	\$200,000	\$200,000

2. **Question:** I see the booklet for the 2024 CDBG grant but the website link to the application doesn't work and I don't see a deadline in the booklet. Do you know when the application deadline is? Or when the grant will open to applications? <https://www.miamidade.gov/housing/library/guidelines/2024-02-23-cdbg-rfa.pdf>

PHCD Response: The application deadline is April 12, 2024.

The 2024 CDBG RFA can be accessed here:

<https://www8.miamidade.gov/global/housing/requests.page>

The online application can be accessed here:
<https://www.zoomgrants.com/zgf/RFACDBG2024>

3. **Question:** I still don't see a deadline. When is the CDBG grant due? And the link in the booklet is still not working -- <https://www.zoomgrants.com/zgf/RFACDBG2024>

Is the grant not open yet? When does it open?

PHCD Response: The application period opened on March 20, 2024. The deadline is **April 12, 2024**.

Refer to Question #3.

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4. **Question:** I noticed that the CDBG application has been updated. Please note that the documents section does not have the documents available for download. I have a lot of the documents from previous applications that we have submitted; however, the RFA Submittal Certification that I have lists different documents from the ones required for this current application. Is there a link to access the documents? Please let me know where I can access the documents. I appreciate your assistance.

PHCD Response: Yes. Refer to the updated RFA books. They have the current documents: <https://www.miamidade.gov/global/housing/requests.page>

5. **Question:** In the CDBG FY2024 RFA, we note that the Public Facilities and Capital Improvements category are limited to Participating Municipalities only. In the past, this category has allowed for applications for the rehab of nonprofit facilities. Given that comments are being accepted until March 27, 2024, can the CDBG FY2024 RFA Public Facilities and Capital Improvements category be expanded to include rehab of nonprofit facilities? This expansion would not only provide much-needed support to the nonprofit sector but also contribute to the RFA's overall community development goals. Centro Campesino would like to compete for the CDBG FY2024 Public Facilities and Capital Improvements and provide up to 80% leverage from other federal sources. Would it be possible to expand the CDBG FY2024 RFA Public Facilities and Capital Improvements category to include rehab of nonprofit facilities?

PHCD Response: No. Only Participating Municipalities, as defined in the CDBG RFA, are eligible to apply for funding in the Public Facilities and Capital Improvements category.

6. **Question:** Is there a maximum percentage limit that entities can request for each funding category?

PHCD Response: Yes, as per page 12 of the CDBG RFA:

- Applicants may not request more than 20% of the total funds available in the following categories: Public Service, and Public Service-Technical Assistance to Small Businesses.
- Applicants may not request more than 50% of the total funds available in the following categories: Economic Development – Technical Assistance to Businesses, Economic Development – Micro-Enterprise and Special Economic Development Lending, and Economic Development – Business Incubator Assistance Program.

7. **Question:** We normally apply for Public Service - Economic Development, based on this RFA. In addition, can we also apply for the "Economic Development, Technical Assistance to Businesses - Economic Development only to complement existing funded Economic Development programs."? Please confirm.

PHCD Response: No. Only agencies that have another Economic Development program (i.e. Micro-Enterprise and Special Economic Development Lending and/or Business Incubator Assistance Program) funded by PHCD are eligible to apply for Economic Development - Technical Assistance to Businesses.

SURTAX Questions

8. **Question:** Are you all anticipating having a Surtax funds RFA for 2024 as well?

PHCD Response: Surtax is not part of PHCD's Fiscal Year 2024 CDBG, HOME and ESG RFA. All solicitations, including the Surtax multi-family affordable housing RFA, are posted on PHCD's website and are e-mailed to those registered on PHCD's e-mail list. To become part of PHCD's e-mail list, please visit: <https://cloud.info.miamidade.gov/PHCD-subscription-management>