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CDBG ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES LIST

Directions: This reference guide lists all eligible activities which are available for funding under the CDBG Grant Application for 2026-2027. When completing the application, you have the option to apply for 3 activities. You will indicate your activities on the CDBG Grant Application for 2026-2027, provide additional information, and complete the individual “outputs” for each service/activity.

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2. ECONOMIC STABILITY

Service/Activity Name
EMPLOYMENT TRAINING: JOB SKILLS & CAREER EXPLORATION
Service/Activity Description
Clients will engage in activities which focus on developing positive relationships with others, leadership and planning, skills needed for success in the workforce/entrepreneurship, and exposure to different careers, volunteer or internship opportunities. Other activities include mock interviews, developing on-the-job skills (soft skills or technical skills), job-shadowing, completing online and in-person job applications, and connecting to part-time or summer employment opportunities.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. Clients will develop a career portfolio folder, including cover letters & resumes, career self-assessments, job or internship searches, and career & goal plans. The CBO will track any clients who gain employment as a result from these activities.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clients will be better prepared to identify their career aspirations and successfully enter the workforce. Clients will have skills needed to access part time employment. Clients will have opportunity to display leadership in volunteer or internship opportunities.

Service/Activity Name
YOUTH SERVICES: SCHOOL-AGED CHILDCARE
Service/Activity Description
CBO offers Before/After School programs which provide safe, well rounded, and high quality care to children. Parents are provided relief as their childcare needs are met. Activities support the physical, social, emotional, creative, and education growth of clients. Children will be given an opportunity for exercise, arts & recreation, homework help, social-emotional learning, and interaction with their peers or other adults. A small fee may be charged for activities, and agencies should have scholarship funds available to those who cannot afford to pay the full fee.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. Eligible to only children aged 5-12 Clients and parents will complete surveys/assessments (pre- and post-, satisfaction, etc.) tracking and assessing child development and parent satisfaction. Any school-aged child served in this program must be unique to this program (i.e. not served in a DSS Child Care, or registered in any other Local or State funded programs (21st Century, Afterschool Advantage, etc.). Non-registered programs will operate less than three hours a day. Appropriate staff/student ratios will be maintained. <p>A snack or meal should be provided (food is not an eligible CDBG expense)</p>



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YOUTH SERVICES: SCHOOL-AGED CHILDCARE (continued)
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Parents have access to reliable, convenient and affordable childcare. ▪ Children have opportunities to socialize, learn, and stay active. ▪ Children who live in the neighborhood, but are not enrolled in other local- or state-funded programs will receive high quality before and/or after school care.

Service/Activity Name
OTHER PUBLIC SERVICES: RE-ENTRY
Service/Activity Description
CBO which serve the re-entry population will provide clients with key interventions designed to facilitate client re-entry into the community, including addressing healthy thinking patterns, meaningful work opportunities, and effective coping strategies, positive social and interpersonal relationships. Case Management services are designed to reduce barriers to employment, stabilize and connect clients to behavioral and physical health services, and offer other related activities.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. ▪ Programs must have experience serving the re-entry population. ▪ Clients have case files containing assessments, progress reports, stabilization plans, etc. ▪ Clients who “graduate” from program are offered after-care services.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Individuals are given the tools and resources to successfully re-integrate back into the community.

Service/Activity Name
OTHER PUBLIC SERVICES: ADULT/FAMILY BUDGETING
Service/Activity Description
Adults and/or families will receive programming related to budgeting and debt reeducation to help them achieve long-term financial stability. Activities can include workshops, distribution of learning materials, providing/use of financial tools such as budget sheets, financial plans, etc.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. ▪ Clients will complete surveys/assessments (pre- and post-, satisfaction, etc.) tracking their program satisfaction. ▪ Clients will develop a personal financial plan to include such things as financial goals, monthly expenditures, or other budgeting tools.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Individuals are given the tools and resources to achieve long-term financial stability.



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3. EDUCATION

Service/Activity Name
YOUTH SERVICES: TUTORING
Service/Activity Description
Elementary, middle school and/or high school students receive one on one and/or group tutoring for difficult subject matters. The activity can be led by staff, volunteers, and tutors. Tutors may be recruited from local college education programs, AmeriCorps, etc. in providing regular on going assistance and support with school work review, homework, projects and test preparation.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. ▪ Eligible to youth aged 5-19. ▪ Tutor maintains progress notes/communication with school day teacher and/or parent ▪ Progress is measured through school grades, tests, etc. provided by the school, teacher, or parent. ▪ Clients are assigned a set number of sessions with a tutor. ▪ Attendance will be tracked, and retention will help determine program success. Retention goal is 80%.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Students do better in school ▪ Parents are engaged in child's academic success

Service/Activity Name
OTHER PUBLIC SERVICES: LITERACY
Service/Activity Description
There exists a strong correlation between literacy, language and the social determinants of health related to health, employment, and economic security. Illiterate adults, New Americans and others seeking to improve literacy and language skills will be provided with one on one and/or group language and literacy tutoring services, including assessment, instruction and support designed to increase language, literacy and communication skills.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. ▪ Clients will complete surveys/assessments (pre- and post-, satisfaction, etc.) tracking their proficiency. ▪ Connection to ESL and HSE programs as needed
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Client pre- and post- surveys show increase in literacy and language levels over time ▪ Clients achieve HSE goal ▪ Clients report they are better able to communicate/understand materials



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Service/Activity Name
YOUTH SERVICES: PARENT-CHILD HOME
Service/Activity Description
The Core Model of the Parent-Child program uses education to break the cycle of poverty for low income families. They engage early in life and help toddlers, their parents and caregivers access a path to possibility. An Early learning specialist visits the family twice weekly. They bring educational books and toys into the home. The program enables the children to enter school ready to succeed.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. Pre- and post- assessments conducted on families using the Child Behavior Trait and Parent-Child Together Assessments.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clients have increased vocabulary, literacy, and social-emotional skills and parent-child interactions.

Service/Activity Name
YOUTH SERVICES: ARTS & CULTURE
Service/Activity Description
Experience relating to exploring and understanding various art forms in a group educational setting can produce significant positive impacts on academic and social interactions for clients. While not easily measured, exploring various art and cultural mediums provide youth with exposure and knowledge leading to passionate pursuits of the arts, career interest, social construct and historical reference.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. Eligible to youth aged 5-20. Clients will complete surveys/assessments (pre- and post-, satisfaction, etc.) tracking their progress. Clients will develop a portfolio to include performances and/or showcases, art, etc.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth are provided with numerous opportunities to explore and experience arts and cultural interests Youth report sustained interest in program



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4. HEALTH

Service/Activity Name
HEALTH SERVICES: HEALTH EDUCATION
Service/Activity Description
Programs targeting health issues related to Chronic Disease prevention, Diabetes Prevention, Falls Prevention, and Nutrition will be provided by trained instructors using proven and outcome based curriculum.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. Instructors must be qualified, in possession of First Aid/CPR certification, and follow a specified curriculum with assessments. Clients will complete surveys/assessments (pre- and post-, satisfaction, etc., art shows/exhibits) tracking their proficiency.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clients are given skills to manage and maintain health when faced with chronic disease diagnosis Clients learn how to avoid chronic disease recurrence or interruption of daily living Clients report better health, having learned new skills for managing disease

Service/Activity Name
HEALTH SERVICES: SPORTS & FITNESS
Service/Activity Description
Opportunities for clients to engage in organized sports or fitness activities. Examples for younger clients include sports clinics, swim instruction, camps, leagues, or e-sports. May include non-traditional sports. Examples for older clients include walking clubs, yoga, tai chi, silver sneakers, line dance, pickle ball, etc.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. Instructors must be qualified, in possession of First Aid/CPR certification, and follow a specified curriculum with assessments. Attendance will be tracked, and retention will help determine program success. Retention goal is 80%. Clients will complete surveys/assessments (pre- and post-, satisfaction, etc.) tracking their progress.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fitness clients will improve their physical and social health by routinely participating in exercise and fitness activities. Sports clients grow in areas of personal and social responsibility including the value of teamwork, commitment, and perseverance, pursuit of excellence and humility, all while engaging in a fun and health activity.



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Service/Activity Name
HEALTH SERVICES: MEDICAL CASE MANAGEMENT
Service/Activity Description
Erie County Senior Services (ECSS) holds contracts with organizations which provide this assistance to County residents. This activity is designed to support this program by serving additional clients who have not applied or are ineligible through the ECSS. Agencies may hire an additional Case Manager to work with these clients.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. Eligible to seniors aged 55+ This activity is designed to complement the Erie County Case Management program. Eligible clients through this CDBG activity must be recruited outside of the Erie County Case Management program. Clients have case files containing assessments, progress reports, stabilization plans, etc.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clients who are unable to be served through Erie County may also receive a similar service otherwise.

Service/Activity Name
HEALTH SERVICES: HEALTH ACCESS
Service/Activity Description
Access to health care services, health care products and/or health related activities. This can include infant supplies, incontinence supplies, feminine care products, access to health care, etc. Clients will also be assessed on their other needs and referred accordingly.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. Case files will be maintained on each client detailing their needs, amount of items provided, and frequency of need. Clients will complete surveys/assessments (pre- and post-, satisfaction, etc.) tracking their satisfaction.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clients will report increased access to health supplies Clients will report satisfaction with service provided Clients will be connected to referrals for additional needs



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5. SOCIAL

Service/Activity Name
YOUTH SERVICES: YOUTH MENTORING
Service/Activity Description
Mentoring provides support and encouragement for youth as they navigate life transitions and these challenging times. One on one youth mentoring, as well as group mentoring by caring and trusted adults provides youth with supportive relationships, good role models and supportive adults in their lives. Ongoing, close, healthy, supportive relationships between mentors and mentees that last for a significant portion of time (i.e., more than one year) are central to success.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. All mentors are required to undergo background checks. Activity must indicate and utilize a measurement tool to track mentee’s progress over time. Examples include strength of the relationship, improved mental and emotional health, social-emotional skills, healthy and prosocial behavior, problem behavior, etc.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clients are connected with an adult mentor who provide ongoing healthy and supportive relationships with mentors.

Service/Activity Name
SENIOR SERVICES: SENIOR SOCIALIZATION
Service/Activity Description
Senior citizens are at risk of both physical and cognitive decline when isolated and not engaged. The senior socialization program will bring seniors together for a wide variety of safe in person, consistently scheduled and accessible recreational activities including art and craft activities, book clubs, cards and games, holiday celebrations and opportunities to engage with one another and program leaders. Seniors have a voice in program design.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. Eligible to seniors aged 55+ Attendance will be tracked, and retention will help determine program success. Retention goal is 80%. Clients will complete surveys/assessments (pre- and post-, satisfaction, etc.) tracking their satisfaction. Programs are easily accessible by all Seniors in community. Programs will complement Erie County Dining, various health services, Erie County Case Management, etc.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seniors report improved life satisfaction and less social isolation Seniors participate in regular and ongoing sessions



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6. NEIGHBORHOOD

Service/Activity Name
FAIR HOUSING: FAIR HOUSING
Service/Activity Description
Educate and counsel individuals/households on purchasing homes for the first time. Educate and counsel Individuals to avoid mortgage foreclosures. Provide counseling and legal assistance referrals to homeowners who are facing mortgage foreclosures and or have been taken advantage of by abusive or unethical lenders. Educate and counsel individuals on financial capability to include budgeting, credit counseling, financial technology, and bank products. Educate individuals concerning their rights under both fair housing and fair lending laws.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. Clients will be tracked by how many successfully purchase a home and how many avoid mortgage foreclosure. Attendance is tracked for all trainings offered to the community. Clients in training will complete surveys (pre- and -post, satisfaction, etc.) tracking their proficiency.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clients will receive training and guidance pertaining to their rights under fair housing laws, ethical lending practices, homeownership, and foreclosure avoidance.

Service/Activity Name
LEGAL SERVICES: LEGAL ASSISTANCE
Service/Activity Description
Providing legal advocacy to victims of housing discrimination in housing court and elsewhere. Clients must be low income residents in need of representation. Also includes community events for housing providers, low and moderate income tenants, and others (e.g., attorneys, community advocates, refugee agency staff, veteran advocates).
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. Attendance is tracked for all trainings offered to the community Clients in training will complete surveys (pre- and -post, satisfaction, etc.) tracking their proficiency.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase community, individual and general awareness regarding anti-discrimination laws, and provide legal assistance to ensure that tenants and tenant advocates are aware of and engage in the complaint procedures available under fair housing laws when discrimination occurs.



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Service/Activity Name
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES: SENIOR TRANSPORTATION
Service/Activity Description
Elderly Transportation- Low income Seniors have limited access to transportation due to impaired driving skills, no vehicle or inability to take public transportation. Includes transportation to-and/or-from social, nutrition, health wellness programs, grocery shopping, medical appointments, etc.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. ▪ Eligible to seniors aged 55+ ▪ This program must not include clients in Erie County Medical Transportation program. ▪ Driver's log must include client name, destination, times, etc.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Seniors have access to medical appointments, grocery shopping and/or trips to socialization activities, measured by the number of one way trips per activity (medical, shopping, to Center)

Service/Activity Name
OTHER PUBLIC SERVICES: TECHNOLOGY ACCESS
Service/Activity Description
Clients will have access to technology and receive the proper training needed to utilize and navigate computer technology, common software programs, apply for programs or jobs, etc.
Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All clients will need to complete an agency-issued application and Client Characteristic form. ▪ Technology equipment is not an eligible purchase with CDBG funds. ▪ Clients are tracked on how often they utilize the technology offered to them. ▪ Attendance is tracked for all trainings offered to the community. ▪ Clients in training will complete surveys (pre- and -post, satisfaction, etc.) tracking their proficiency.
Benefits to Participants (Outcomes)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Clients are given access to technology they may not have at home ▪ Clients are trained on how to use technology effectively