ANNOUNCEMENT

CDBG Planning Grants Now Open for Applications

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The [Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs'](#) Community Development Block Grant [Planning Grant program](#)
is now open for applications. Fourth quarter applications will be accepted until Nov. 17, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. ET via the Indiana Electronic Grants Management System
 [here](#)
. Applicants are encouraged to submit their applications prior to 4 p.m. ET on Nov. 17, 2023, as technical assistance will not be available after that time.

The following plan types will be open as part of the fourth quarter round:

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COVID-19 Economic Recovery Plan

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Comprehensive Plan

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Water Infrastructure Plan

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Broadband Readiness Plan

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Economic Development Plan

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Environmental Assessment

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Public Facilities Feasibility Study

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Historic Preservation Plan

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Downtown Revitalization Plan

While a formal site visit is not required for this program, applicants must contact their OCRA [community liaison](#)
to 1) notify the office of their intention to submit an application and 2) to receive technical assistance on the planning process. A map of community liaison districts can be found [here](#)
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Important Notes:

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All income surveys initiated under OCRA's current policy, [effective June 5, 2022](#) , for this planning round must be approved by OCRA in eGMS ahead of the application due date of Nov. 17, 2023.

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All completed income survey documentation for this planning round should be submitted for final approval in eGMS by Nov. 3, 2023, to ensure OCRA has the full 10 days to complete its review.

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As a reminder, the new [Qualifications Based Selection Planning Grant Procurement Policy](#) is in effect as of Aug. 15, 2022. In accordance with the policy, procurement of professional services for the planning study must be completed prior to the submission of the planning grant application in eGMS for quarter four of 2023.

The next round of planning grants is expected to continue quarterly until funds have been exhausted.

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