

STARK COUNTY CDBG DEPARTMENT ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The Stark County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) department is currently accepting applications for the next three-year CDBG funding cycle, FY 2021-2023. Funding would be available from July 1, 2021 until June 30, 2024. Applications for public service and economic development projects will be accepted for FY '21 only; while applications for infrastructure and public facility improvement projects will be accepted for FY '21, '22, and/or '23.

On August 26th, the Stark County CDBG staff held a virtual workshop for potential applicants. Over 30 different political subdivisions and non-profit agencies and organizations attended this Microsoft Teams event. The agenda for the workshop included an explanation of the FY 2021-2023 application form, its accompanying instructions and guidelines, discussion of eligibility requirements, selection of the members of the upcoming application review committee, and sample projects. Though attendance at the workshop was not required, additional ranking points will be awarded to all applications in which the applicant attended, though persons who did not attend the workshop are still encouraged to submit an application(s).

If your community, organization, agency, etc. is interested in receiving Stark County CDBG funding, now is the time to plan for and submit an application for funding. Persons interested in obtaining an application packet should obtain one from the Stark County RPC website at www.rpc.starkcountyohio.gov or contact Lynn Carlone, Chief of Community Development at 330-451-7774. Stark County CDBG applications are due by **Friday, November 6th at Noon** at the RPC office.