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Grants available for housing, services and facilities projects

Applications for Community Development Block Grants due Oct. 28, 2013

Littleton, Colo. — Arapahoe County is now accepting applications for 2014 Community Development Block Grant funding for projects and services that serve low-to-moderate income citizens.

Public, community and non-profit agencies are invited to submit applications for projects that will enhance the quality of life for county residents in the areas of housing, facilities or services. Projects located in the City of Aurora must apply for CDBG funding through that municipality. Projects located in the City of Centennial may apply through the County, but must assist residents of Centennial.

CDBG funds are provided to Arapahoe County and Centennial by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. All projects receiving funds must benefit persons meeting HUD's low-to-moderate income guidelines. Eligible project categories include, but are not limited to: non-profit building improvements, property acquisition, housing, infrastructure improvements, and public services.

Earlier this year, Arapahoe County and Centennial awarded more than \$1 million in 2013 CDBG funds to the following grant recipients: Arapahoe County TEFAP, Arapahoe House, Audio Information Network, Brothers Redevelopment, Children's Advocacy and Family Resources, City Of Centennial, City of Englewood, City of Littleton, City of Sheridan, Doctors Care, Englewood Housing Authority, Family Promise of Greater Denver, Family Tree, Goodwill Industries, Littleton Housing Authority, Project Angel Heart, Rocky Mountain Stroke Center, Salvation Army, Senior Hub, South Metro Housing Options and TLC Meals on Wheels.

Interested organizations are invited to attend an informational meeting from 1 - 3:30 p.m., Sept. 18 or 9 – 11:30 a.m., Oct. 10 at Arapahoe Plaza, 1690 W. Littleton Blvd. Oak Room, 2nd Floor, Littleton. The meeting will provide an overview to the CDBG application process and allow candidates to ask questions about project eligibility. Please RSVP to jfink@arapahoegov.com or 303-738-8062.

Applications must be received by 4 p.m., Oct. 28, 2013 . Projects will be approved by the Board of County Commissioners and HUD, and grant funds available in June 2013, subject to federal funding and timelines.

Applications and details are available online at www.arapahoegov.com.

Interested organizations can also pick up an application at the Arapahoe County Community Resources Department, 1690 W. Littleton Blvd., 3rd Floor, Littleton, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, or at the City of Centennial, 13133 E. Arapahoe Road, Centennial, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For more information, please contact Jeremy Fink, Project Administrator in Housing and Community Development Services, at jfink@arapahoegov.com or 303-738-8062.