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Arapahoe County accepting applications for 2009 Community Development Block Grants to benefit projects serving low to moderate income residents

Littleton, Colo. --- Arapahoe County is accepting applications for funds from its 2009 Community Development Block Grant program.

Arapahoe County and the City of Centennial will review applications and award CDBG funds to organizations with proposals that benefit low to moderate-income citizens. Funding possibilities include, but are not limited to property acquisition, building improvements, parks and infrastructure, staffing and services and housing.

Earlier this year, Arapahoe County awarded more than \$1 million in CDBG funds for public facilities, services and housing. Award recipients included the Colorado Center for the Blind, Rebuilding Together, Gateway Battered Women's Shelter, House of Hope, Rocky Mountain Housing Development Corporation, Senior Hub, Project Angel Heart, North Littleton Promise and Doctors Care.

CDBG funds are provided to Arapahoe County from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

"We're excited to be able to award these funds to recipients who improve the quality of life for our local residents," said Signy Mikita, Division Manager of Housing and Community Development Services. "We look forward to reviewing the quality and ingenuity of proposals."

Application criteria:

- Applications must be from non-profit and/or government organizations.
- All applications for Arapahoe County CDBG funds must assist low or moderate-income residents of Arapahoe County, excluding the City of Aurora; applications for City of Centennial CDBG funds must assist low or moderate-income residents of Centennial.
- Applications must be received by Oct. 20, 2008. Funds will become available for winning submissions in June 2009.

Applicants can pick up forms at Arapahoe County, 1690 W. Littleton Blvd., 3rd floor, Littleton, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday or at the City of Centennial, 12503 E. Euclid Dr., Suite 200, Centennial, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. . For further information or to request an application, contact Mikita at 303-738-8063 or smikita@co.arapahoe.co.us.

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