



CDBG Funds to Match Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Funds for Infrastructure

The Amendment to the State of Iowa Action Plan provides that CDBG funds will be used as the 15 percent local match required for infrastructure projects funded under the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). Sixteen million dollars has been allocated for this activity.

On November 21, 2008 the availability of FEMA HMGP funding for projects beyond property acquisition/demolition and planning projects was announced by John Wageman, State Hazard Mitigation Officer (SHMO) for Iowa Homeland Security & Emergency Management Division (IHSEMD).

However, only those HMGP projects that are eligible under the CDBG program will receive the 15 percent match from CDBG funds. The CDBG program can only fund hazard mitigation projects related to facilities and areas impacted by the disaster of 2008. The only eligible recipients of CDBG funds are cities or counties. So if another entity applies for HMGP funding that entity should develop a relationship with the appropriate city or county to receive the CDBG match funding.

If you plan to apply for HMGP funding for infrastructure then please complete and submit the application for CDBG funding. It can be found through the Jumpstart Federal Infrastructure link below.

Submit application to:
Community Development Division
Iowa Department of Economic Development
200 East Grand Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50309

For more information or questions about the CDBG match please contact Hank Manning of IDEED at 515.242.4836 or hank.manning@iowalifechanging.com. For more information about HMGP for infrastructure please contact Jim Russell at 515.251.3673/ jim.russell@iowa.gov or for tornado safe rooms contact Linda Roose at 515.251.3675/ linda.roose@iowa.gov.

Link for Jumpstart Federal Infrastructure Assistance from the Iowa Department of Economic Development: www.iowalifechanging.com/jumpstart/.

Link for HMGP for infrastructure:
<http://www.iowahomelandsecurity.org/Home/2008Disaster/HazardMitigation2008/tabid/191/Default.aspx>.