

**ATTACHMENT A**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NEW JERSEY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-RECOVERY (CDBG-R)  
AMENDMENT**

Attached is the State of New Jersey's draft plan for distributing \$1,945,374 in Federal Community Development Block Grant-Recovery funds.

Any comments regarding the draft of the Amendment can be forwarded to Terence Schrider, [tschrider@dca.state.nj](mailto:tschrider@dca.state.nj), at the NJ Department of Community Affairs, Division of Housing and Community Resources, PO Box 806, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0806 by close of business on November 17, 2011.

## THE CDBG-R AMENDMENT

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### ENSURING RESPONSIBLE SPENDING OF RECOVERY ACT FUNDS

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has awarded stimulus funding in the amount of \$1,945,374 from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) to the State of New Jersey for the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (NJDCA) has identified six (6) Small Cities- CDBG program projects for CDBG-R (Community Development Block Grant-Recovery) funding that meets the federal ARRA requirements and submits for public review and comment project descriptions within this CDBG-R Amendment to the 2008 Final Plan.

#### **CDBG-R Award Process:**

The NJ Small Cities Unit followed the CDBG-R guidelines in considering existing NJ Small Cities public facilities (Infrastructure and other public improvements) and innovative development (other activities that do not fit public facilities or housing rehabilitation) applications in the NJ SAGE (NJ System Administering Grants Electronically) that did not receive funding in response to the 2009RFP (HUDFY2008) due to the lack of available funds. The projects were determined to be worthwhile but not awarded as they fell below the funding cut-off. The Small Cities staff originally recommended five (5) pending applications that are eligible activities and "shovel ready projects." HUD guidelines mandate that "...in selecting projects to be funded, recipients shall give priority to projects that can award contracts based on bids within 120 days from the date the funds are made available to the recipients."

To further that point, HUD guidelines suggest that "states should consider funding worthwhile activities that fell below the funding cut-off line from program year 2008 distribution process, or to fund applications already submitted for their program year 2009 distribution process." Four (4) Public Facility applications that "missed the cut" in 2008 updated their applications and resubmitted them in response to the 2010 RFP (HUD FY2009) announced in July, 2009. They were Cape May City, Burlington City, Commercial Township and Lower Township. In addition, their Environment Review Records (24 CFR 58.22) were complete, a requirement of the Small Cities Program's application process. These four awarded contracts within 120 days from the date funds were available to them and have completed their programs. However, the fifth award to Egg Harbor City, an Innovative Development applicant, met the same requirements, is not complete even though the City has spent funds for pre-development costs and site clearance. Due to unexpected delays they do not expect to spend funds by the September 30, 2012 deadline. Their project to revitalize the downtown main street by reconstructing a building for housing and a store front is still underway and is expected to start construction in the summer of 2012. To assure spending all CDBR-G funds by the deadline the Program is adding a public facility project in Dover, Morris County, which will enable funding jobs quickly and spend all the funds by the deadline.

As with all the recipients the new project in Dover and the Egg Harbor City project will be subject to strict reporting requirements established by the Act and as required by the NJ Small Cities CDBG Program.

<b>2009 CDBG - R Allocation</b>	<b>\$1,945,374</b>
2009 CDBG - R Administration 10%	\$194,537
2009 CDBG - R Available to Award	\$1,750,837
<b>Projects Recommended for Funding</b>	<b>\$1,945,374</b>

#### THIS AMENDMENT OF NOVEMBER 10, 2011

The purpose of this amendment is to spend \$313,233 of CDBG-R (ARRA) funding by the September 30, 2012 deadline. The last remaining CDBG-R award to EGG Harbor City has been delayed due to circumstances beyond their control. There have been numerous delays caused by site clean-up, Pinelands Commission requirements and unacceptable bids. The City expects to bid the project again in the spring or summer and won't be able to spend all the funds by the deadline. To spend the CDBG-R funds by the deadline, Small Cities will move the balance of CDBG-R funds from Egg Harbor City's grant to Dover's public facility project. This project is underway and expected to draw down all funds by the end of 2011. See revisions to Attachment B and the additional B-6 project below.

<b>A. SPREADSHEET FOR REPORTING PROPOSED CDBG-R ACTIVITIES (ATTACHMENT B)</b>		CDBG-R Formula Grant Amount: \$1,945,374				Submitted: June 26, 2009 Revised July 27, 2009 and November 10, 2011	
<i>Activity Name</i>	<i>Activity Description</i>	<i>Eligibility (Regulatory or HCDA Citation)</i>	<i>National Objective Citation</i>	<i>CDBG-R Project Budget (\$)</i>	<i>Additional Recovery Funds (\$)</i>	<i>Other Leveraged Funding (\$)</i>	<i>Total Activity Budget</i>
<b>Revised Egg Harbor City IDP downtown revitalization project</b>	Reconstruction of Properties for Affordable Housing - as Phase 2, the City of Egg Harbor will be reconstructing properties in the Downtown Redevelopment Area for affordable housing. This is an integral part of the revitalization effort and fits within the context of the redevelopment plan.	24 CFR 570.483 (b) (3)	LMH	Reduced from \$500,000 to \$186,767		Increased by \$382,982 to \$2,882,982	\$3,069,749
<b>Addition Dover Town Public Facility Street Reconstruction Project</b>	Reconstruction of five streets, Segur, Sanford, Hinchman, Hoagland and N. Sussex, in town including drainage, roadway, sidewalk, curbing, striping and related infrastructure improvements.	24 CFR 570.483 (b) (1)	LMA	Addition \$313,233		Addition 211,767	Addition \$525,000
<b>Cape May City Public Facility ADA</b>	Beach Walkway and Ocean view Accessibility Public Facility Improvements - to improve access for the disabled by extending modular wooden walkways, installing ocean overviews, Constructing ADA-compliant ramps and outside shower and drinking fountain.	24 CFR 570.483 (b) (2)	LMC	\$256,912		\$82,000	\$338,912
	Ocean view public service activity- Purchase 5 beach wheelchairs to assist physically disable persons to travel across sand to the ocean.	24 CFR 105 (a) (8)	LMC	\$15,000			\$15,000
<b>Burlington City Mechanic St. Project</b>	Mechanic Street project- to acquire and demolish nine parcels of blighted property on Mechanic Street located within the New Yorkshire Neighborhood and replace them with new public infrastructure including sidewalks, curb-cuts, lighting, off-street parking area and ADA accessibility requirements	24 CFR 570.483 (b) (1)	LMA	\$400,000		\$330,000	\$730,000
<b>Commercial Twp PF Battle Lane Project</b>	Battle Lane Phase III - to install new sidewalks, curbing, drainage, lighting and ADA requirements on a portion of Battle Lane.	24 CFR 570.483 (b) (1)	LMA	\$316,537		\$123,463	\$440,000
<b>Lower Township PF Storm Water Project</b>	Villas Storm Water Beach Outfall Project - to eliminate flooding in the Villas Neighborhood through extension and reconstruction of seven storm water beach outfalls.	24 CFR 570.483 (b) (1)	LMA	\$262,388		\$78,717	\$341,105
				\$1,750,837		\$3,708,929	\$5,459,766
<b>General Administration</b>	NJ DCA			\$194,537			
				\$1,945,374			

Figures above in red show the changes. Other Leveraged Funding increased by \$594,749, which include the increase of funding to Egg Harbor for \$69,749, \$500,000 of CDBG funding originally awarded to Dover and \$25,000 matching funds from Dover.

## **B-1. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY**

Activity Name:

**Egg Harbor City  
Affordable Housing Reconstruction Project  
Application #09-1604-00  
Award \$500,000**

Current Status: Underway, 10 percent complete

Activity Narrative:

The project funds will be used to construct street level retail space with sixteen (16) units of senior citizen affordable housing above. The units will comply with New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing (COAH) regulations and have a 100% low income benefit. Program funds will be used toward construction costs estimated at \$3,000,000. The CDBG-R funds leverage a significant amount of other funds creating a more substantive economic impact (6:1 leverage ratio). The project also has both permanent job creation and affordable housing that benefit multiple distressed populations that have suffered greatly during the recent economic downturn.

- **Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery:**

The project will reconstruct retail space at street level that was destroyed by fire. Businesses will be offered new space at street level which is expected to generate approximately twenty (20) new full time jobs.

- **Assisting those most impacted by the recession:**

The recession has placed a significant hardship on low and moderate income people, particularly senior citizens. This project will provide housing for that economically distressed low income population at affordable prices.

- **Providing investment needed to increase economic efficiency:**

This project is a text book example of smart growth planning as it places housing within a short walking distance to shopping, services and an intermodal transit hub alleviating the need for autos.

- **Investing in transportation, environmental protection, or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits:**

This project is based upon the opportunities presented by the long term investment strategy that the City is undertaking to construct infrastructure and transit facilities that encourage energy conservation and efficient growth.

- **Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services:**

Since this project is located in an existing downtown area, it maximizes the use of existing services and infrastructure provided by local, county, and state agencies. Smart growth planning principals have guided the planning process.

- **Fostering energy independence:**

The design and construction of the building will incorporate to the greatest extent possible energy conservation elements and green building technologies.

Jobs Created:

Permanent Full Time Jobs	20
Construction Jobs (12 months)	25

***B-1. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY (CONTINUED)***

Additional Activity Information:

This project will also incorporate the most energy efficient systems and appliances and employ green building technologies currently available and suitable to the site and building characteristics.

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***B-2. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY***

Activity Name:

**Cape May City**  
**Beach Walkway & Ocean Overview Accessibility Improvement Project**  
**Application # 08-2130-00**  
**Award \$ 271,912**

Current Status: Complete

Activity Narrative:

This project will improve beachfront access for the disabled by extending modular wooden walkways, installing ocean overviews, providing 5 beach wheelchairs, constructing ADA-compliant ramps and installing an ADA-compliant outside shower and drinking fountain.

The funds will improve access for the disabled to the Promenade by (1) installing compliant walkways and gang ways from the Promenade to beach and ocean side of sand dunes, (2) reconstructing ramps from Beach Avenue, (3) replacing all ramp railings, (4) creating ADA compliant parking, (5) constructing compliant curb side drop off aisles adjacent to existing ramps, (6) installing compliant pedestrian curbs at all street intersections, and (7) purchasing beach wheelchairs.

The infrastructure project provides access only as far as the dunes. Disabled persons (especially those confined to wheelchairs) need a means to enjoy the beachfront by making it possible for them to get close to the ocean. Modular walkways are needed where the walkways extend from the promenade end. These hard surface modular walkways will allow wheelchairs to cross the sand to the water.

According to the U.S. Census, there are 711 physically disabled residents in the city. These residents, along with thousands of disabled visitors will benefit from the project. The proposed project will have 100% benefit to persons of low and moderate income. The Cape May County of Aging confirmed the ADA noncompliance issues: "The lack of accessibility at some locations poses a serious hardship to mobility-impaired visitors and residents alike. This project will remedy the problem faced by the City's disabled and senior population and the thousands who visit your town each year."

- ***Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery.***

ADA compliant beach facilities will encourage seasonal tourism. Many multi-generation family groups will visit the community and grandparents with mobility disabilities find it difficult to visit the

beach together with their children and grandchildren. Encouraging seasonal visitation will create temporary employment. The City estimates that this project will create 14 construction jobs for a

**B-2. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY (CONTINUED)**

90-120 day period. Seasonal tourism is the engine that supports most economic activity in Cape May County.

- **Assisting those most impacted by the recession:**

The City of Cape May has numerous local hotels, restaurants and retail establishments that employ low and moderate income people. They are disproportionately impacted by the recession. This project will encourage more families with disabled people to visit Cape May City and the beach. More visitors will spur commerce and therefore help maintain jobs.

- **Providing investment needed to increase economic efficiency:**

The City of Cape May's beaches and promenade are visited by hundreds of thousands each year. Many families that visit the community include persons with mobility disabilities. Without accessible beach facilities, mobility disabled persons cannot enjoy the beach with the rest of their family. After completion of this project, the City will be able to advertise the beaches are fully accessible. Consequently, the City anticipates attracting more visitors.

- **Investing in transportation, environmental protection, or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits:**

Through this proposed project, the City is investing in infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits. Improving beach access to mobility disabled persons will attract more visitors to the community and will encourage longer visits. Making the City's beaches accessible to more persons will result in increased revenue for local hotels, restaurants and retail stores. Increased tourism revenue will create and retain resort industry jobs commonly held by persons of low and moderate income.

- **Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services:**

This project will not minimize or reduce essential services. It will provide accessibility to the City's beaches to mobility disabled persons for the first time ever.

- **Fostering energy independence:**

This project will encourage family vacations within New Jersey via the family automobile. Such family vacations will reduce gasoline consumption when compared to air travel.

Jobs Created:

Construction Jobs (4 months)	14
Seasonal Jobs -	6

Additional Activity Information:

This project will promote energy conservation since its promoting passive recreation at an existing developed beachfront (that have already received substantial federal funding). None of the accessibility improvements planned will increase energy consumption.

This project will advance "smart growth" initiatives by concentrating development in a "center designated" community. We are discouraging sprawl by encouraging use of an existing densely developed community by constructing essential infrastructure.

**B-2. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY (CONTINUED)**

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**B-3. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY**

Activity Name:

**City of Burlington**  
**Mechanic Street Revitalization Project**  
**Application #2009-0701-00**  
**Award: \$400,000**

Current Status: Complete

Activity Narrative:

This project will address areas of slums and blight and create needed parking on Mechanic Street within the New Yorkshire neighborhood of the City of Burlington. The project will result in the acquisition and demolition of nine (9) blighted parcels and replace them with new public infrastructure, including sidewalks, ADA compliant curbing, lighting and an off-street parking area. This area of this neighborhood has been identified as a redevelopment area via a locally-approved redevelopment plan. The existing conditions serve as a haven for both gang and drug related activities and serve to hinder stabilizing the surrounding neighborhoods. The proposed activity will promote neighborhood stabilization and revitalization by providing, accessible off-street parking that will reduce parking congestion on Lawrence, Broad and York Streets. Energy efficient lighting will be installed that will provide attractive illumination as well as ambiance to the area. The focus on neighborhood revitalization is intended to address issues of deficient infrastructure and buildings, the general lack of parking for Lawrence, Broad and York Streets. The design and construction of the public facility improvements, including sidewalks, ADA compliant curbing, lighting and off-street parking area will incorporate wherever possible energy conservation elements and green technologies. Burlington City is a Transit Village and the off-street parking will enable residents of New Yorkshire to utilize the parking facilities while using the NJ Light Rail Train Station.

- **Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery**

This project addresses the need for preserving and creating jobs to promote the economic recovery through the skilled and non-skilled labor positions that will be created in order to complete the project, including equipment operators, laborers, electricians, and concrete masons, as well as management, clerical and professionals who will be retained throughout the purchase, demolition and construction phases of this project.

- **Assisting those most impacted by the recession**

**B-3. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY (CONTINUED)**

This project will place a priority on identifying area construction workers who are unemployed for this project. Additionally, this project is located within the New Yorkshire neighborhood, which is predominately low and moderate income. The recession has placed significant hardship on this population. This project will assist the most impacted residents by removal of this blight that has become a haven for both gang and drug related activities and will provide our residents an accessible off-street parking area to relieve parking congestion.

- **Providing investment needed to increase economic efficiency**

This project will provide investment needed to increase economic efficiency because it will provide employment throughout the duration of the project. The removal of the nine blighted homes and installation of an accessible well-lit parking area will improve quality of life in the New Yorkshire neighborhood. The removal of the blighted homes will stabilize the immediate area resulting in an increase in the value of homes and creating desirability for residents to purchase homes, thus being a worthwhile investment for the economic efficiency and the stabilization of the neighborhood and to the City.

- **Investing in transportation, environmental protection, or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits**

Improving this area of the City will attract more residents and therefore more visitors. This project is located within the Transit Village and is within walking distance to the New Jersey Transit Light Rail Line Towne Center Station and to the New Jersey Transit bus lines. Residents and visitors will rely upon the already established public transportation that is within walking distance.

- **Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services**

Removing the abandoned homes which have been a congregation center for both gang and drug related activities will not reduce essential services to the residents. Acquisition and demolition of these nine structures, of which, more than half are abandoned, and all in various stages of disrepair, will remove health, safety, and blight issues in this residential neighborhood and reduce density to allow for the construction of an off-street parking area.

- **Fostering energy independence**

The design and construction of the public facility improvements, including sidewalks, ADA compliant curbing, lighting and off-street parking area will incorporate wherever possible energy conservation elements and green technologies. The installation of new street lighting will require street lighting technologies that promote energy efficiency, while maintaining quality light output. Demolition specifications will give priority to demolition companies that strive to recycle various components of construction and demolition debris, such as concrete, wood, carpet, asphalt, etc. rather than disposing of the materials in a landfill. The design of the parking area will be with a permeable surface thereby reducing the contaminated water runoff that occurs from traditionally paved parking lots.

Jobs Created:

Property acquisition:	2 professional, 2 clerical
Demolition:	2 professional, 7 construction
Construction:	3 professional, 11 construction, 1 clerical



Additional Activity Information:

The project promotes smart growth as described in the City of Burlington's Yorkshire and New Yorkshire Neighborhoods Redevelopment Plan; approved by City Council in 1998.

***B-3. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY (CONTINUED)***

Responsible Organization:

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***B- 4. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY***

Activity Name:

**Commercial Township**  
**Battle Lane Project, Phase III**  
**Application # 2009-0704-00**  
**Award \$316,537**

Current Status: Complete

Activity Narrative:

This project will install new sidewalks, curbing, drainage, lighting and ADA requirements on a portion of Battle Lane in Commercial Township. The construction of new sidewalks, curbing, drainage and lighting will immediately take place upon the award of grant funding from DCA. It will include the upper section of Battle Lane known as Phase III (Beech Road to Point Breeze Road). New sidewalks on one side of the street will be constructed. It will also include curbs alongside of the sidewalks to allow run-off water to properly drain from the street. New catch basins will be installed according to engineered plans at the intersections of this project where rain water collects and through this project, all excess water will be removed through the installation of drains. Curbing will channel the rain water to the catch basins. Lighting will also be installed along the roadway to improve safety and add better overall illumination. The existing street lights are high in elevation; the lights often blocked by trees. A light on a lower and more decorative post will add more safety and better illumination as well as an historic ambiance to the area.

- **Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery:**

This project will preserve and create jobs through the promotion of economic development. Approximately twelve employees including management, equipment operators, concrete masons and laborers will be retained to construct new sidewalks and drainage in the Laurel Lake area of Commercial Township. The retention of an engineer and inspectors for the engineering firm will be preserved for design and on-going inspection work during the project.

This project will create an economic boost to the construction and engineering firms through this stimulus package of funding.

- **Assisting those most impacted by the recession:**

This project will place a priority in identifying construction workers who are unemployed during the winter.

- **Providing investment needed to increase economic efficiency:**

This project will provide investment needed to increase economic efficiency by putting people back to work and providing much needed infrastructure improvements. The local economy

***B-4. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY (CONTINUED)***

benefits because area workers who are under or unemployed will earn significantly higher wages than usual due to government contracts and state prevailing wage laws.

- **Investing in transportation, environmental protection, or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits:**

This project will allow pedestrians and bicyclists to have a safe transportation corridor throughout the main corridor in Laurel Lake. Providing children and the public a safe place to walk, new lighting for improved safety along a busy county roadway and the elimination of unsightly storm water on the corners of the roadways is a high priority of the Township. The roadway will have environmentally sound drainage to lessen the accumulation of storm water, elimination of mosquito nests due to the pooling of water on the roadway and will minimize transportation hazards for pedestrians and motorists.

- **Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services:**

There will be no reductions in essential services by this project. By providing a safer and better environment, this project will encourage more people to walk and ride bicycles and saving transportation energy costs. The project will provide for the installation of new street lights with energy saving bulbs that will reduce the current utility requirement of the Township.

Jobs Created:

Construction:	12
Engineering/Inspections:	3

Additional Activity Information:

This project is environmentally friendly because it encourages the public to walk and bike ride while keeping the public safe on a transportation route off of the main roadway. People will walk and children will ride bikes if there is a safe route to do so. This project is a green project that promotes energy conservation and reduces pollution by promoting the public to walk and bike ride in an area previously only a roadway.

Responsible Organization:

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## ***B-5. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY***

Activity Name:

**Lower Township  
Villas Storm Water Beach Outfall Project  
Application # 2009-0712-00  
Award \$262,288**

Current Status: Complete

Activity Narrative:

The Lower Township project will address health and safety issues in the Villas neighborhood by reconstructing deficient storm water outfalls. When outfalls emptying at the Delaware Bay fail,

storm water floods the neighborhood. Flooding can last up to 3 days upwards of 10 times a year. Seven outfalls must be extended so that Villas streets can drain properly.

### ***B-5. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY (CONTINUED)***

Record photographs show flooded streets and water lapping around foundations of homes. It is common for ponded water to exceed a foot in depth. During the winter months, the ponded water freezes. In the spring 2008, the Township planned emergency action but learned that Costal Area Facilities Review Act (CAFRA) was required. CAFRA approval is expected in the fall 2009.

This project will eliminate the storm water threats effecting Villas by extending the storm sewer outfall pipes on Ocean Ave., Delaware Parkway, Ohio Ave., Frances Ave., Ridgewood Ave., Woodland Ave., and Spruce Ave. to a point on the beach at which the elevation of the invert of the outfall pipe is higher than the ground elevation. This will allow the storm water to discharge during storms without obstruction. The check valves to be installed at the end of each outfall will prevent the Delaware Bay from reversing flow during storms or at the highest tides. Flooding will be mitigated under these corrective measures.

This project will have area-wide benefit since the poorly functioning storm drainage outfalls allow water to pond over a broad area. The benefit area of the 7 drainage outfalls exceeds 50% of area median income of the three effected block groups. The combined population of the three block groups is 3,806 persons, of which 2,238 are of low and moderate income. The overall low/moderate benefit is 58.8%.

- **Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery:**

Encouraging seasonal visitation will create temporary employment. The Township estimates that this project will create 15 construction jobs for a 120-150 day period. Since much of the work will be carried out by laborers and not heavy equipment, the Township expects that much of the project funds will be spent on workers. The estimate of 15 construction jobs thus may be conservative.

- **Assisting those most impacted by the recession:**

The Villas neighborhood's year round population is primarily low and moderate income. These low/moderate residents are impacted by the chronic flooding described above. Replacing inadequate storm drainage facilities will benefit low income persons most impacted by the current recession.

As noted, this project will create an estimated 15 construction jobs. Construction in the County is depressed as of June 2009. Construction workers have been disproportionately impacted by the national recession.

- **Providing investment needed to increase economic efficiency:**

The chronic flooding with the project neighborhood inhibits efficient traffic flow. The local economy is based largely on the seasonal resort industry. Chronic flooding impairs access to the Delaware Bay shore and discourages visitors from coming to the community. This project will eliminate the identified health and safety threats.

- **Investing in transportation, environmental protection, or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits:**

The chronic flooding on the effected streets in the Villas neighborhood damages private property and endangers the health and safety of residents. That damage and the resultant health and safety threats were documented in the 2008 CDBG application. This project will accomplish the following:

- protect neighborhood streets from accelerated deterioration;
- protect the Delaware Bay from runoff borne contaminants;
- replace inadequate infrastructure with efficient energy conserving gravity drains;
  
- protect motorists from flooded roadways;
- protect homeowners who now suffer property damage;
- protect residents from water borne health threats;

***B-5. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY (CONTINUED)***

All of these benefits are long-term and the improvements will have a useful life of 50 years.

- **Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services:**

This project will not minimize or reduce essential services. Instead this project will substantially improve storm drainage within the target area. Destructive flooding of residential properties will significantly decrease.

- **Fostering energy independence:**

This project will reduce energy use by eliminating the on-going need to use heavy equipment to dig out the clogged ends of storm water outfalls. These outfalls, when operating properly, consume no energy as they operate by gravity. This project will allow the system to operate correctly and will lead to a net decrease in energy consumption.

Jobs Created:

Construction (4 months):            15

Additional Activity Information:

This project promotes energy conservation. The chronic blockages of storm water outfalls necessitated bringing heavy equipment on to the beach to unclog the outfalls. This scenario repeated itself several times a year. Flooding on neighborhood streets required extensive energy use as Public Works crews and property owners dealt with the consequences.

This project will assist in reducing in water pollution spills in the Delaware Bay. Rainwater that pond in the area often accumulates fertilizers, chemicals and contaminants from the streets and neighborhood yards. When water finally flows by gravity, it spills these substances into the Delaware Bay. By directing runoff efficiently from neighborhood streets, the project will enable much cleaner runoff water into the Delaware Bay.

This project supports the Smart Growth initiatives of the State of New Jersey. The Township is discouraging sprawl by concentrating development resources within an existing densely developed neighborhood. The Township is supporting the viability of a long established

neighborhood. Villas represents non-subsidized affordable owner occupied housing in Cape May County. The neighborhood's median house value is much less than other parts of the County. Consequently the neighborhood is primarily occupied by low and moderate income persons. Improving storm water facilities in the Villas directly supports the State's objectives of preserving affordable housing.

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***B- 6. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY (ADDITION, THIS AMENDMENT)***

Activity Name:

**Town of Dover**  
**Street Reconstruction of Segur, Sanford, Hinchman, Hoagland and N. Sussex Streets**  
**Application # 2012-0000-00**  
**Award \$312,883**

Current Status: New Addition

Activity Narrative:

This project will provide for road reconstruction including new sidewalks, curbing, drainage and ADA requirements on Segur, Sanford, Hinchman, Hoagland and North Sussex Streets. The reconstruction of road surface, sidewalks, curbing, and drainage are underway since the project was funded in part by regular CDBG. New sidewalks and curbs will be reconstructed; catch basins will be installed at the intersections. The new facilities will improve safety and eliminate substandard conditions.

- **Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery:**

This project will preserve and create jobs in the heavy construction trades. Approximately ten employees including management, equipment operators, concrete masons and laborers will be retained to reconstruct the streets. The Town will retain an engineer and inspectors for the project. This project will create an economic boost to construction work and engineering employment in the area.

- **Assisting those most impacted by the recession:**

This project will aid construction workers who could become unemployed due to the lack of work.

- **Providing investment needed to increase economic efficiency:**

This project will provide investment needed to increase economic efficiency by putting people back to work and providing much needed infrastructure improvements.

***B-6. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY (CONTINUED)***

The local economy benefits because area workers who are under or unemployed will earn higher wages than usual due to government contracts and state/federal prevailing wage laws.

- **Investing in transportation, environmental protection, or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits:**

This project will allow pedestrians and bicyclists to have a transportation corridor through the Town while improving safety conditions along busy streets and addressing drainage deficiencies.

- **Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services:**

There will be no reductions in essential services by this project. By providing a safer and better environment, this project will encourage more people to walk and ride bicycles and saving transportation energy costs.

Jobs Created:

Construction:	7
Engineering/Inspections:	3

Additional Activity Information:

This project is environmentally friendly because it encourages the public to walk and bicycle while keeping the public safe on a transportation route off of the main roadway.

Responsible Organization:

Grantee:  
**Town of Dover**  
**Ms. Kelly Toohey, Chief Financial Officer/Agency Administrator, or**  
**Mr. Michael Hantson, Town Engineer/Planner**  
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[mhantson@dover.nj.us](mailto:mhantson@dover.nj.us)

Consultant:  
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# CDBG-R Amendment Grantee Checklist

*For the purposes of expediting review, HUD asks that applicants submit the following checklist along with the CDBG-R Amendment, Spreadsheet for Reporting Proposed CDBG-R Activities, and SF-424.*

## **Contents of a CDBG-R Action Plan Amendment**

Jurisdiction: <b>State of New Jersey</b> NJ Department of Community Affairs  <a href="http://www.nj.gov/dca/">http://www.nj.gov/dca/</a>	CDBG-R Contact Person: <b>Terence Schrider</b> <b>NJ Department of Community Affairs</b> 1011 S. Broad Street, PO Box 811 609-633-6283 (Office) 609-341-3275 (Email) <a href="mailto:tschrider@dca.state.nj.us">tschrider@dca.state.nj.us</a>
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The elements in the amendment required for the CDBG recovery funds are:

### ***A. SPREADSHEET FOR REPORTING PROPOSED CDBG-R ACTIVITIES***

Does the submission contain a paper copy of the Spreadsheet for Reporting Proposed CDBG-R Activities?

Yes- Verification found on page **Attachment B (Spreadsheet)**

Does the submission include an electronic version of the Spreadsheet for Reporting Proposed CDBG-R Activities sent to the email box CDBG-R@hud.gov?

Yes- Date Spreadsheet was emailed: **6/26/09 former revision, new revision 11/10/11**

Does the Spreadsheet for Reporting Proposed CDBG-R Activities include, for each activity:

- amount of funds budgeted for each activity, including CDBG-R funds, any additional Recovery Funds used and total activity budget,  
 Yes- Verification found on page(s) **4**
- the Eligibility citation (eligibility regulatory cite or HCDA cite),  
 Yes- Verification found on page(s) **Attachment B (Spreadsheet)**
- the CDBG national objective citation,  
 Yes- Verification found on page(s) **Attachment B (Spreadsheet)**

**B. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY**

Does the submission contain information by activity describing how the grantee will use the funds, including:

- a narrative for each activity describing how CDBG-R funds will be used in a manner that maximizes job creation and economic benefit,  
Yes- Verification found on page(s) 6-17
- projected number of jobs created for each activity,  
Yes- Verification found on page(s) 6-17
- whether an activity will promote energy efficiency and conservation,  
Yes- Verification found on page(s) 6-17
- the name, location, and contact information for the entity that will carry out the activity,  
Yes- Verification found on page(s) 6-17
- evidence that no more than 10% of the grant amount will be spent on administration and planning,  
Yes- Verification found on page (s) 5
- evidence that no more than 15% of the grant amount will be spent on public services,  
Yes- Verification found on page (s) N/A
- evidence that at least 70% of the grant amount will benefit persons of low and moderate income,  
Yes- Verification found on page (s) Attachment B (Spreadsheet)

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Was the proposed action plan amendment published via the jurisdiction’s usual methods and on the Internet for no less than 7 calendar days of public comment?

Yes- Verification found on page(s) Attachment A (Public Notice)

Is there a summary of citizen comments included in the final amendment?

Yes- Verification found on page(s) None Received

**D. CERTIFICATIONS**

The following certifications are complete and accurate:

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|---|---|-----------------------------|
| (1) Affirmatively furthering fair housing | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (2) Anti-displacement and relocation plan | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (3) Drug-free Workplace                   | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (4) Anti-lobbying                         | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (5) Authority of jurisdiction             | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |



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| (6) Consistency with plan                                    | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (7) Section 3  | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (8) Community development plan                               | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (9) Following a plan   | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (10) Use of Funds  | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (11) Excessive Force   | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (12) Compliance with anti-discrimination laws                | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (13) Lead-based paint procedures                             | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (14) Compliance with laws                                    | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (15) Compliance with ARRA                                    | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (16) Project selection                                       | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (17) Timeliness of infrastructure investments                | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (18) Buy American provision                                  | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (19) Appropriate use of funds for infrastructure investments | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (20) 70% of CDBG-R for LMI                                   | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Optional Certification                                       |   |  |
| (21) Urgent Need   | Yes <input type="checkbox"/>            | No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

***D. STATE CERTIFICATIONS***

The following certifications are complete and accurate:

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| (3) Drug-free Workplace                                      | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (4) Anti-lobbying  | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (5) Authority of State                                       | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (6) Consistency with plan                                    | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (7) Section 3  | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (8) Community development plan                               | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (9) Consultation with Local Governments                      | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (10) Use of Funds  | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (11) Excessive Force   | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| (12) Compliance with anti-discrimination laws                | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
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| (19) 70% of CDBG-R for LMI                                   | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/>            |
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