



**Homes and  
Community Renewal**

# **Resources for Municipalities through the Office of Community Renewal**

**Explore State and Federal Funding: Municipal Infrastructure Roundtable Discussion  
Howard G Sackett Technical Center  
November 9, 2023**

# NYS Homes & Community Renewal

- Division of Housing & Community Renewal (DHCR)
- Housing Trust Fund Corporation (HTFC)
- Housing Finance Agency (HFA)
- State of New York Mortgage Agency (SONYMA)
- Affordable Housing Corporation (AHC)

## Development Offices:

- **Office of Community Renewal (OCR)**

**“Local” grant programs – awarded through municipalities & not-for-profits**

*NYS Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Program, New York Main Street (NYMS), the Neighborhood and Rural Preservation programs, Access to Home, MMHR, RESTORE*

- **Office of Finance and Development (F&D)**

**Multi-family development – direct award and oversight**

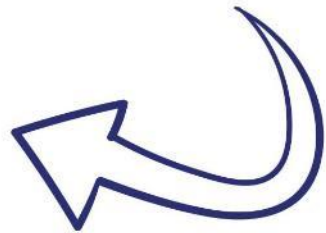
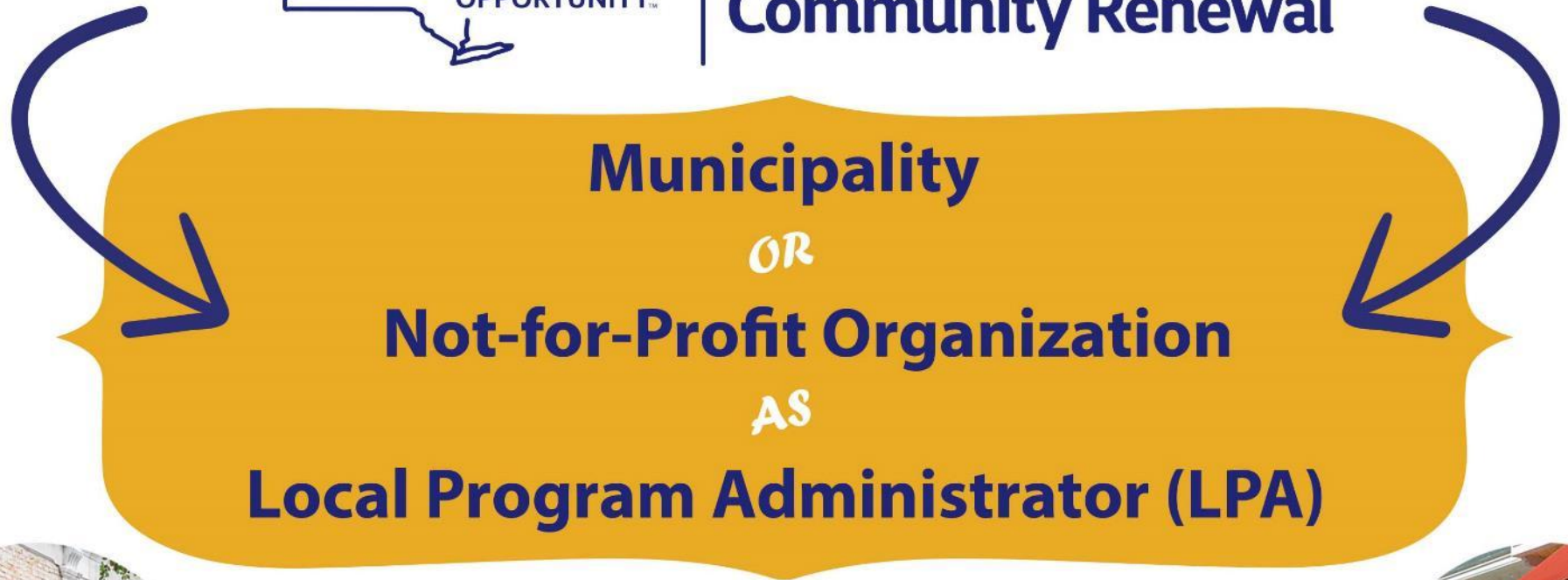
*HOME Capital, Federal and State Low Income Housing Tax Credits, tax exempt bonds, and state sources include HTF and CIF.*



# Grants and Local Program Administration



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**Property  
Owners**



# Federal and State Funding Overview

# OCR Programs



- **NYS Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)**
- **HOME - Local Programs**



- **Affordable Housing Corporation (AHC)**
- **New York Main Street Program**
- **Access to Home Programs**
- **RESTORE Program**
- **Mobile and Manufactured Home Replacement (MMHR) Program**

# Potential Community Development Activities

Public Infrastructure

Public Facilities

Economic Development

Small Business Assistance

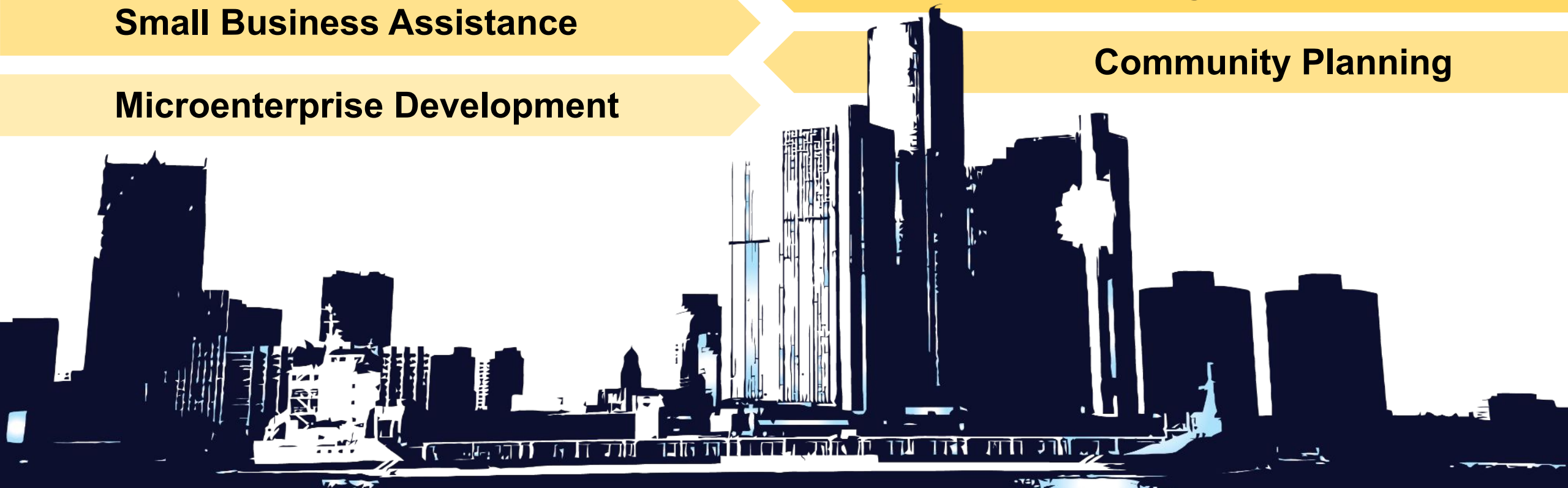
Microenterprise Development

Private Water/Wastewater Systems

Manufactured Housing Replacement

Housing Rehabilitation

Community Planning



# Funding for Public Infrastructure Projects

# Public Infrastructure Funding Source

## Public Water/Sewer/Storm Water Management

### NYS CDBG

- Eligible applicants may apply for up to \$2,000,000
- May require consultation with Co-Funding Initiative
- Need to address target user rate of 1.5% of MHI

### Typical activities

- Public Water Systems
  - water source development, storage, and distribution
- Public Sanitary Sewer Systems
  - sanitary sewage collection and treatment
- Storm Water Systems
  - flood control and storm water drainage



# Funding for Public Facility Activities

# Public Facility Funding Source

## NYS CDBG Funding

*Up to \$1,000,000 for  
Cities, Towns, Villages  
and Counties*



Health Care  
Centers



Day Care  
Centers



Senior Centers,  
Community Centers



Sidewalks, ADA  
Compliance



Lighting



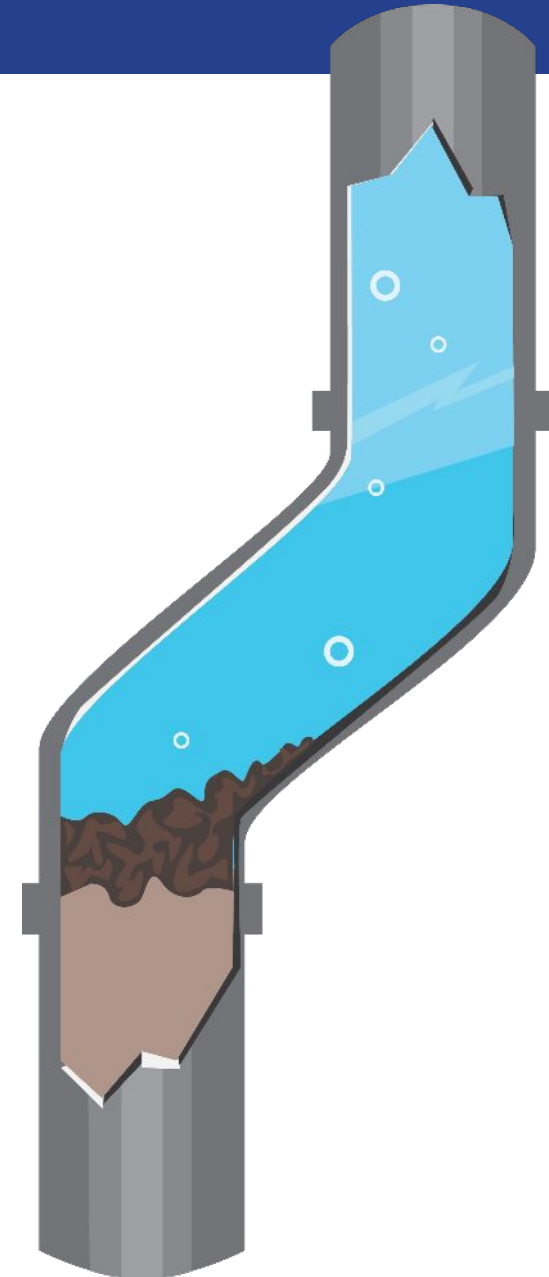
Tree planting

# Housing Program Funding Sources

**Wells and Septic  
Replacement  
and  
Lateral Connections**

**NYS CDBG**

- Eligible applicants can apply for assistance for up to \$1,000,000



# Funding for Community Planning Activities

# Community Planning Funding Source

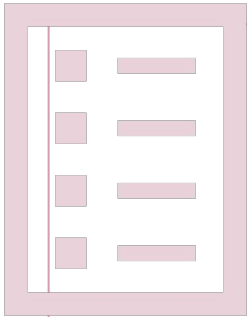
## NYS CDBG

- Up to \$50,000 for Cities, Towns, Villages and Counties

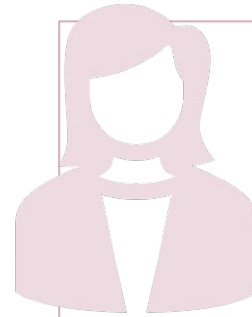


# Getting Ready to Pursue State and Federal Funding

# Project Planning and Development Challenges for Small Communities



Planning and management require commitment and follow-through

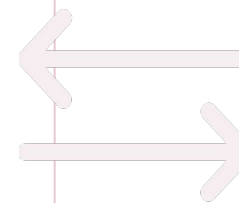


Elected officials are often part-time administrators



Project costs rise

- Materials costs/ labor
- Compliance with new regulations
- Greater emphasis on emergency preparedness and response



Existing systems vs. new systems

# Begin planning now



Public Infrastructure

Housing needs

Economic development needs

Services such as  
daycare and healthcare



# Begin planning now

Projects can take several years from planning to implementation

- Ø Managerial
- Ø Financial
- Ø Technical

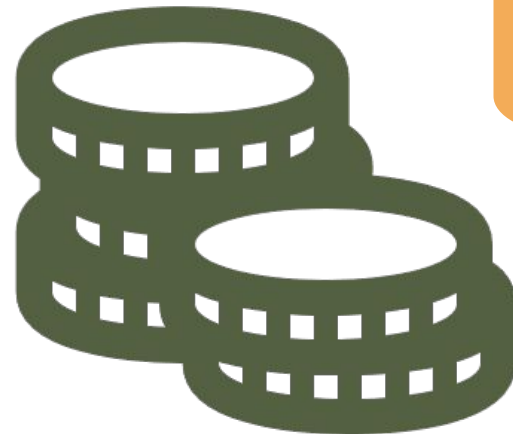
Be cognizant of the demands that will be imposed

- May be turn-over of administration
- May be project opposition



# Identify Potential Funding Sources

A successful project may require financing from more than one source



Involve representatives from all potential funding agencies early

- Valuable input on design and funding strategies
- How to maximize the project priority

# Evaluate funding eligibility

*State and Federal funding sources are only part of the solution*

Funding programs don't have unlimited resources

Project could require co-funding

Also, not all projects are eligible

Priority is given to projects that address:

- Public health and/or environmental quality,
- Affordability and community need, and
- Potential for success including through partnering and/or co-funding.

# Take advantage of technical assistance



A variety of no-cost technical assistance (TA):

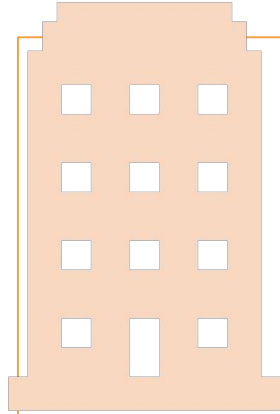
- Funding agencies,
- Regulators,
- County agencies, and
- Private not-for-profit organizations such as
  - Rural Community Assistance Partnership (RCAP) Solutions
  - NYS Rural Water Association
  - Environmental Finance Center (EFC)

Other TA, planning, and grant-writing services can be contracted

OCR is available to coordinate and assist with TA

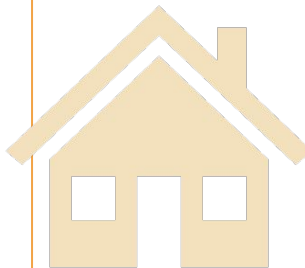
# Applying for Funding

# How to Apply for Funds



## Consolidated Funding Application (CFA)

- Public Infrastructure/Facilities (Annual)
- Community Planning (Annual)
- Microenterprise (Open Round)
- Economic Development (Open Round)
- Small Business Assistance (Open Round)



## Community Development Online (CDOL)

- All Housing Activities
  - CDBG, HOME, RESTORE, Access, AHC

# Application Tips and Other Requirements

## Tips:



Use the correct application



Use the submission checklist to ensure completeness



Document citizen participation (public hearing if required)



**Key deficiencies:** failing to show administrative capacity, adequate funding, budget inconsistencies, readiness



Don't take choice limiting actions prior to award and clearance (Environmental Review )

# HUD Exchange

For HUD Exchange CDBG and HOME only

Source for:

- CPD Notices
- CPD income calculator
- Toolkits

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Resources and assistance to support HUD's community partners

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Home - Programs

## Programs & Related Topics

Find and explore the landing pages for HUD's programs, systems, and related topics to help you administer your programs.

HUD's programs and related topics support HUD's priorities across a range of policy areas including Affordable Housing, Development and Preservation, Community and Economic Development, Environment and Energy, Fair Housing, Homelessness, Homeownership, Rental Assistance, and Supportive Housing and Services.

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### A

Acquisition and Relocation  
AEDI: Appalachia Economic Development Initiative  
AFFH UI: Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing User Interface  
AFFH: Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing  
Affordable Housing Development and Preservation Policy Area  
ALCP: Assisted-Living Conversion Program  
APPS: Active Partners Performance System  
ARC: Appalachian Regional Commission

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# Question and Answer



# Homes & Community Renewal Resources (Links)

[Affordable Housing Corporation](#)

[Access to Home Program](#)

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