

CDBG Water & Sewer Review Criteria

1. Magnitude of need for the project:

1. Low = Proposed project is an "amenity"
2. Medium/Low =
3. Medium = Action needed sometime in the next few years
4. Medium/High =
5. High = Relatively immediate health or safety concern

2. Degree to which the project can be completed in a timely fashion:

1. Low = Late start, lengthy/unrealistic/unclear timetable
2. Medium/Low =
3. Medium = Average/reasonable construction timetable based on project type and final design not started
4. Medium/High = Final design underway, but not complete
5. High = Construction to commence quickly, minimum length, realistic time-frame. Design completed and construction permit issued

3. Degree to which the CDBG funds will be leveraged by other funds:

1. Low = Less than 25%
2. Medium/Low = 26% - 35%
3. Medium = 36% - 45%
4. Medium/High = 46% - 55%
5. High = Over 55%

4. Degree to which the cost per beneficiary is within a reasonable range:

1. Low = more than \$10,000 CDBG dollars per beneficiary
2. Medium/Low = 8,001 - \$10,000
3. Medium = \$6,501 - \$8,000 CDBG dollars per beneficiary
4. Medium/High = \$5,001 - \$6,500
5. High = Less than \$5,000 CDBG dollars per beneficiary

5. Potential degree of impact the activity will have on the identified need and the standard of living or quality of life of the proposed beneficiaries (including financial impact and whether or not this project identified in an Iowa great places agreement):

1. Low = Does not have substantial impact on the identified need and/or is not the best long term solution
2. Medium/Low =
3. Medium = Partial impact on the identified need
4. Medium/High =
5. High = Activity directly and substantially addresses the identified need and is the best long term solution

6. Degree to which the project is ready to proceed:

1. Low = Little work done for site acquisition
2. Medium/Low = Some preliminary discussions regarding acquisition
3. Medium = Documented discussion with property owner regarding acquisition and reasonable timeline for acquisition process provided
4. Medium/High = Acquisition required and purchase option is signed
5. High = Site control obtained or acquisition not required

7. Capacity of the recipient or sub-recipient to operate and maintain the proposed activity to ensure its continuing viability:

1. Low = Existing facilities have been neglected, and no clear plans for improved capacity
2. Medium/Low =
3. Medium = Some problems with maintenance and/or lack of staff, but clear and manageable plans for improvement undetermined (e.g. site, some financing)
4. Medium/High =
5. High = Qualified personnel are already on staff and condition of existing systems indicates past record of proper maintenance

8. Percentage of LMI project beneficiaries:

1. Low = 51% - 55.99%
2. Medium/Low = 56% - 59.99%
3. Medium = 60% - 64.99%
4. Medium/High = 65% - 69.99%
5. High = Greater than 70%