

**Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)  
Short-Term Mortgage/Rental Assistance  
Program Statement**

**Description**

Short-term mortgage and rental assistance to help persons/households who are at-risk of homelessness regain stability in permanent housing. Assistance will be provided for up to 3 months.

This program may also utilize non-profit agencies to serve as subrecipients through an open application process for program administration throughout the Dallas community to reach more eligible participants.

**Eligible Participants**

Residents of the City of Dallas, with incomes at or below 80% of the area median income, whose income was adversely affected by COVID-19. Participants must provide documentation of the impact of COV-19 to their circumstance, including but not limited to the following:

- proof of job/income loss, temporary or permanent
- reduction in work hours/income
- increased healthcare or household expenses that attributed to insufficiency of rent payments (i.e. increased child-care expenses due to school closures)

Participants must complete an application for assistance and provide proof of household composition and income. Copy of current lease or mortgage statement must also be provided. (Participants must not have been in default on rent/mortgage payments prior to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) public health pandemic).

**Ineligible Participants**

- Public Housing/Housing Choice Voucher/Project Based Voucher Program Participants – however will be referred to DHA for assistance.
- Applicants already receiving rental/mortgage assistance funded by the CARES Act through another agency.
- Tenants who are occupying units owned by an immediate family member.

**Eligible Uses**

Mortgage/Rental assistance must be used for eligible housing expenses, such as mortgage payments, rent payments and/or utilities. Funding can be used to pay for all or part of eligible expenses.

**Eligible Properties**

Residential properties, publicly or privately-owned, located within Dallas City limits.

**Assistance**

Up to \$1,500/month per unit with maximum 3-month total assistance provided per household to be used towards arrears amount or future delinquency (qualifying arrears must not have occurred prior to March 2020); funds will be issued in the form of a grant with no repayment obligation or affordability period requirement. Funds will be paid directly to landlord or mortgage lender on behalf of the beneficiary household.

When necessary, the City Manager or designee is authorized to execute change orders in any amount to commit and expend funds timely to meet federal requirements.

This program statement may be amended the City Manager or designee to include amendments and/or waivers adopted to the CDBG regulations by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.