The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act)
Stimulus Funds for CD & H

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&
CDBG

ARRA - American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

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ESG / Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing	**$978,285**
CDBG	**639,766**
HOME	**0**
Neighborhood Stabilization (NSP)	**competitive**
Total	**1,618,051**

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Overview and Purpose of the Act

- To preserve and create jobs and promote economic recovery

- To assist those impacted by the recession

- To provide investments needed to increase economic efficiency by spurring technological advances in science and health

- To invest in transportation, environmental protection and other infrastructure that will provide long term economic benefits

- To stabilize State and Local government budgets, in order to minimize and avoid reductions in essential services and counter productive State and Local tax increases

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Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program

Eligible Uses

- ✓ Financial Assistance
  - Crisis Alleviation: Security deposits, utility deposits and payments, Moving costs, hotel / motel vouchers
  - Short-term rental assistance (up to 3 months)
  - Medium-term rental assistance (up to 18 months)

- ✓ Housing Relocation & Stabilization services
  - Case management
  - Landlord mediation
  - Housing search and placement
  - Legal services
  - Credit repair

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Eligible Uses, *continued*

- ✓ Data Collection
  - Grantees Must Use HMIS (Homeless Management Information System)
- ✓ Administration (5% cap) - $48,914
  - Staff training to administer program or for case management
  - HUD Amendment preparation

Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program

Eligible Participants

- ✓ Persons at Risk of Homelessness due to:
  - Eviction from rental or foreclosed housing, or from code enforcement action
  - Eviction from 'doubled up' with family or friends
  - Sudden and significant loss of income
  - Exiting institutional care—foster care, long-term care, rehabilitation centers, or prisons
  - Other risk factors such as credit barriers, severe housing cost burden, and more
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Criteria for Client Services

- ✓ Must Have Initial Consultation with a Case Manager to Determine Need
- ✓ Must Earn 50% of Area Median Income or Below ($38,900 for a family of four in 2009)
- ✓ Meet Both of the Following Circumstances
  - o *Have no appropriate housing options identified*
  - o *Lacks financial resources and support network to obtain immediate housing*

HUD Income Guidelines 2009 - 2010

Family Size	$\leq$ ***50% of Median Income***
1	$27,250
2	$31,100
3	$35,000
4	$38,900
6	$45,100
8	$51,350

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Suggested Uses for New Castle County, serving households earning less than 50% of Median Income

1. CD & H - administered RAP (Rental Assistance Program)
   - ✓ Financial Assistance for a) crisis (ie. utility payments), b) short-term rental assistance and c) medium-term rental assistance

2. Housing Counselor Capacity – Address Need to Deliver:
   - ✓ Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services
     - ✓ Increase the number of HUD-certified counselors to work directly with eligible clientele

Ineligible Uses

- ✓ Mortgage payments
- ✓ Construction or Rehab
- ✓ Consumer Debt or Non-Housing Bills
- ✓ Development of Discharge Planning Programs

Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program

Timeline

✓ A Substantial Amendment to the Consolidated Plan

- County Council Resolution to Amend Action Plan May 12, 2009
- Due to HUD May 18, 2009
- HUD Approval No Later than July 2, 2009
- Coordination with Stimulus CDBG amendment allowable

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Economic Stimulus CDBG Funds

Additional Guidance Available from HUD

- ✓ April 2009
- ✓ www.hud.gov/recovery

Proposed Use of Funds for New Castle County

✓ Assist households earning between 50 – 80% of median income with up to three months of housing assistance