



# Cochise County Community Development Block Grant Program



**Cochise County  
Community Development-Grants  
1415 Melody Lane, Bldg. G  
Bisbee, AZ 85603  
(520) 432-9742**

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds originate from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). HUD monies are distributed to the State Community Development Block Grant Program through the Arizona Department of Housing. The Arizona Department of Housing works in partnership with the regional Councils of Governments to distribute CDBG funds to non-entitlement communities throughout Arizona. The Council of Governments for Cochise County is the Southeastern Arizona Government Organization, better known as SEAGO.

Each year SEAGO develops a Method of Distribution for CDBG funding. The Method of Distribution outlines a sub-region funding rotation for the eight government entities within Cochise County:

Fiscal Year 2016  
Cochise County  
Town of Duncan  
Town of Thatcher  
Huachuca City  
Town of Patagonia

**Fiscal Year 2016 is the next CDBG funding cycle for Cochise County**, which is on a 3 year rotation. Depending on the sub-region funding year, each government entity can apply for **approximately \$214,600** in CDBG funding. Funding levels vary each year. Up to 18% can be applied to administration costs.

Cochise County has a Public Participation Process, where individuals and community groups have the opportunity to present a proposed CDBG activity or project to the County Board of Supervisors. Please call the Community Development-Grants office at (520) 432-9742 for further information about the Public Participation Process.

Activities Eligible for CDBG Funding:

- ❖ Public Works & Safety Activities
- ❖ Public & Privately Owned Water System Improvements
- ❖ Public & Privately Owned Wastewater System Improvements
- ❖ Solid Waste Disposal Facilities and Equipment

- ❖ Road/Street Improvements
- ❖ Parking Facilities
- ❖ Flood and Drainage Improvements
- ❖ Fire Protection Facilities and Equipment
- ❖ Community and Supportive Housing Facilities (*Parks, Libraries, Community Centers, Shelters, Group Homes*)
- ❖ Public Service (*Child Care, Health Care, Job Training, Recreation Programs, Services for Senior Citizens, Literacy Training and English-as-a-Second Language*)
- ❖ Neighborhood Revitalization and Redevelopment
- ❖ Housing
- ❖ Job Creation or Retention for Economic Development

**Activity or project must meet one (and only one) of the following three National Objectives:**

1. LOW-MODERATE INCOME BENEFIT

Area wide Benefit: Service area is primarily residential (at least 60% of the structures are residential) and at least 51% of the residents are of low to moderate-income. Low to moderate income figures derived from the 2014 ACS Census by HUD and broken down by Census Tracts and Block Groups, which defines the service area (area wide benefit) and proves the area contains at least 51% of low to moderate income persons. **Due to changes in calculation, most projects will require a special income survey for the area.**

Limited Clientele Benefit: Automatically considered low-mod when activity benefits a specific target group, of which 51% consists of one or more:

- Low to moderate Income
- Abused children
- Elderly persons
- Battered spouses
- Homeless persons
- Adults with severe disabilities
- Illiterate persons
- Persons living with AIDS
- Migrant farm workers

- 2. PREVENTION OR ELIMINATION OF SLUMS OR BLIGHT
- 3. URGENT NEED AND HEALTH HAZARD BENEFIT

All projects must conform to the Arizona Dept. of Housing's Consolidated Plan annual action plan allocation priorities. More info at [www.azhousing.gov](http://www.azhousing.gov)

**CDBG Funded Activities and Projects within Cochise County:**

- Elfrida Community Center Improvements and Library Development
- ADA Improvements – County Facilities, Old Bisbee High School
- Bowie Clean-Up Program
- Fry Town Site Curb and Drainage Improvements
- ADA Improvements – County Facilities, Douglas
- Lower Huachuca City Capital Improvement Plan
- Emergency Home Repair Program
- Contribution to the City of Bisbee for Revitalization of the Saginaw Area
- Fry Townsite Street Improvements
- Sunsites Senior Center HVAC, Windows/Doors
- Elfrida Community Center Improvements
- Fry Drainage Way Improvements
- Lead Abatement Program
- Wesleyan Preschool Playground Improvements
- Bowie Fire District Emergency Equipment
- Fry Fire Station ADA improvements
- Owner Occupied Emergency Home Repair
- Bowie Water District Repairs
- Elfrida Water District Repairs

**A Public Hearing for members of the public to suggest potential projects located throughout the County is scheduled for January 26, 2016 at 10:00 am at the Regular Board of Supervisors Meeting. The location is 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee AZ 85603.**

**Projects can be submitted via email to:**  
[Lmarra@cochise.az.gov](mailto:Lmarra@cochise.az.gov)  
**Or faxed to 520-432-5016**