

## **Community Development Block Grant Recovery Program (CDBG-R)**

On February 17, 2009, President Obama signed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), which includes \$1 billion for supplemental Community Development Block Grant - Recovery (CDBG-R) funding to help to stimulate the economy through projects that create employment opportunities, modernize infrastructure, promote energy efficiency, expand educational programs, or improve access to health care.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is responsible for administering the CDBG-R program. HUD has allocated \$479,292 to the City of Moreno Valley for CDBG-R in establishing a program that addresses the following overall goals:

- Preserve or create jobs and promotes economic recovery,
- Assist those most impacted by the recession,
- Provide investment to increase economic efficiency,
- Invest in transportation, environmental protection / independence, or other infrastructure needs that will provide long-term benefits.

### **City of Moreno Valley Program Proposal**

With Moreno Valley's CDBG-R allocation, staff proposes to establish four activities that benefit the low and moderate-income population and meet the Recovery Act objectives while providing for responsible spending.

#### **Administration**

Consistent with CDBG-R guidelines, a maximum of ten percent of the grant will be reserved for grant planning and management.

#### **Utility - Infrastructure Improvement Project**

The proposed Utility – Infrastructure Improvement Project will fund the replacement of outdated utilities or the installation of new, environmentally conscious / energy effective utilities in a CDBG Target Area.

#### **Economic Incentive for 'Green' Businesses**

The goal of the program would be to incentivize an environmentally conscious business to either locate to Moreno Valley or expand an existing facility in exchange for creation or retention of employment of low-to-moderate income persons.

#### ***Employment Creation for Distribution and Manufacturing Businesses***

This program will focus on creating or retaining employment opportunities in the City's CDBG Target Area by assisting in producing new jobs for distribution and manufacturing uses.

#### ***Employment Creation for Vacant Restaurant Reuse***

The proposed program will incentivize job creation for low-to-moderate income persons at vacant restaurants located in both the Redevelopment (RDA) Project Area and the CDBG Target Area by providing funds for new restaurateurs in exchange for creation of employment opportunities.

**The Moreno Valley City Council will conduct a Public Hearing regarding the CDBG-R program on Tuesday, May 26, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. For more information on this meeting, [click here](#). (Link to Public Notice)**

Public comments regarding the CDBG-R Program may be submitted to  
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