



# Technical Assistance: CDBG Neighborhood Revitalization Program

The [North Carolina Department of Commerce](#) recently announced \$10M in available grants under its Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Neighborhood Revitalization (CDBG-NR) program. Centralina can support small communities in developing and implementing applications for up to \$750k for housing, housing-related activities and public facilities.

## IDENTIFYING LIVABILITY PRINCIPLES

The CDBG-NR program supports three livability principles that help guide sustainability and resiliency. Centralina can assist with the identification of eligible projects that incorporate at least one of the following livability principles:



**Promote Equitable, Affordable Housing:** Expand location and energy-efficient housing choices for people of all ages, incomes, races and ethnicities to increase mobility and lower the combined cost of housing and transportation.



**Support Existing Communities:** Target federal funding toward existing communities – through strategies like transit-oriented, mixed-use development and land recycling – to increase community revitalization and the efficiency of public works investments and safeguard rural landscapes.



**Value Communities and Neighborhoods:** Enhance the unique characteristics of all communities by investing in health, safe and walkable neighborhoods – rural, urban or suburban.

## HOW WE CAN HELP

The grant preparation and administration process can be daunting and Centralina wants to make sure your community has the best chance to successfully obtain critical funds for your local government or county. Here are a few ways we can support your efforts:

**Determine Eligibility** – Assist with funding and threshold income criteria, readiness to proceed and Division of Rural Economic Development approval.

**Application Preparation** – Ensure that your application meets NC Commerce CDBG-NR program performance and experienced CDBG administrator requirements.

**Technical Assistance** – Provide support for NC Commerce project administration, audit and reporting requirements.

### *We Have the Experience*



Centralina has served the region's local governments with technical assistance and professional services for over 50 years. We have a track record of success with CDBG-NR application and awards in a highly competitive environment. Our experts deliver CDBG-NR services that meet program implementation needs and reporting requirements.

### *Previous Projects in the Region*



**Town on Dallas** – Application preparation

**Town of Lilesville** – Preparation and application submittal, project scoping, DEQ review, a public hearing and noticing requirements

**Stanly County** – Program administration, application preparation (received \$750k) and currently helping with the review and title search assistance

## ELIGIBILITY

All NC municipalities and counties are eligible to receive Small Cities CDBG funds, with the exception entitlement cities and HUD-designated urban counties.\*

*\* The North Carolina entitlement cities in the Centralina region are listed as follows: Charlotte, Concord, Gastonia, Kannapolis and Salisbury. The ineligible Centralina counties include Mecklenburg and Union.*

## READY TO GET STARTED?

Reach out to Centralina Community Economic Development Director, Christina Danis, at (704) 688-6502 or [CDanis@centralina.org](mailto:CDanis@centralina.org) to discuss how we can help.