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Mendocino County Launches Competitive Process for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding

The County of Mendocino is undertaking a competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) process to allocate funds from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Income. This initiative invites eligible applicants to submit proposals for projects that align with CDBG objectives and the County's community development priorities, focusing on benefiting low- and moderate-income residents.

For the 2025 funding cycle, the County has approximately $600,000 available in CDBG Program Income funds for qualifying projects. Additionally, the County may submit applications for the 2025 California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) CDBG Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) to further support local development initiatives.

"This improved process ensures a transparent, competitive selection of projects that best serve Mendocino County residents and maximize the impact of available funding," said CEO Darcie Antle. "We encourage eligible organizations to participate and bring forward projects that will strengthen our communities."

Key dates in the RFP process include:

- **March 3, 2025**: RFP released
- **March 7, 2025**: Applicant Workshop
- **March 14, 2025**: Inquiry Deadline
- **April 3, 2025**: RFP Submission Deadline
- **April 2025:** Selection and Notification of Top Proposals
- **May 2025**: Board of Supervisors Review and Approval
- **January 2026**: Expected Contract Start Date

Proposals that meet CDBG eligibility requirements will be reviewed and scored by County staff, with top candidates presented to the Board of Supervisors for final funding decisions. The County encourages interested applicants to attend the upcoming Applicant Workshop on March 7, 2025, to learn more about the CDBG program and requirements.

For more information and to access the RFP, visit the County's website (RFPs, CDBG) or send an email to grantsdivision@mendocinocounty.gov.

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