

**2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-DISASTER RECOVERY
SECOND FUNDING ROUND FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE & PUBLIC
FACILITIES
Q&A**

The following are questions received as of 2/26/2026:

- 1. A community is interested in applying for the Public Infrastructure & Public Facilities program. Would a phased infrastructure project for sewer separation be eligible to receive funding?**

A: Yes. If awarded, no other phased work can be done on the proposed CDBG-DR project site until the CDBG-DR project is completed.

- 2. If awarded, how long do grant recipients have to complete the Public Infrastructure & Public Facilities project?**

A: A grantee has two years from the date of the executed grant agreement to complete the project.

- 3. A community is interested in applying for a Public Infrastructure & Public Facilities project, focused on demonstrating future mitigation risks (e.g. upgrade to a lift station or CIPP Piping). The community cannot establish a direct tie back to the 2020 disaster but is in a HUD MID. Would this type of application be considered for funding?**

A: Yes, this application would be considered for funding. However, there may be other applicants that can demonstrate their community has unmet needs that directly tie back to the 2020 disaster.

On Page 19 of the PIPF Program Guidelines, it lists Ineligible program costs as “Maintenance, operating, or repairing of maintaining a public facility (e.g., maintenance of publicly owned streets, parks, water and sewer facilities, filling of potholes in streets, repairing cracks in sidewalks, mowing of grass in public parks, etc.)”

All applications will be scored based upon the criteria in this Score Sheet: [2020 CDBG-DR Public Infrastructure & Public Facilities Score Sheet](#)

- 4. Our community is concerned that it will not be able to hold a public hearing prior to the April 17th submission date. Is a public hearing required to be completed as part of the application packet?**

A: Per the Public Infrastructure & Public Facilities Program Guidelines, applicants should hold a public hearing and submit a completed Authorizing Resolution with Application materials. If a community cannot hold a public hearing due to scheduling

conflicts, the applicant must provide the MEDC with a copy of the Public Hearing notice and Meeting Agenda.

Before an award can be announced, the UGLG must have completed its public hearing and be able to provide a copy of draft meeting minutes.

5. Please share the public hearing notification requirements.

A: Applicants should place a public hearing notice in the newspaper or on the community applicant's webpage. The notice should be published a minimum of 5 days prior to the scheduled public hearing. Applicants should also follow their citizen participation processes when notifying the public about the hearing.

The following are questions received as of 2/19/2026:

1. If a community was granted funding in the first round, would they be eligible for grant funding in the second round too?

A: Yes

2. Should applicants submit an Environmental Review with application materials?

A: No. Applicants should not begin work on an Environmental Review until a Letter of Interest (LOI) is executed.

3. At what point can communities begin to incur reimbursable Engineering expenses?

A: A Letter of Interest will need to be executed and the assigned MEDC Program Specialist will message when Engineering costs can be incurred for reimbursement.

4. Can an applicant be reimbursed for time spent preparing application materials?

A: No, preparation for the submission of application materials is not eligible for reimbursement.

5. How can a community ask questions about a proposed application?

A: A community can ask questions in two different ways.

First, a community can join weekly Office Hours, held each Thursday morning at 10:00 a.m. via Teams. Several MEDC staff members participate in these calls and are available to answer questions. Login information can be found here: [Disaster Relief 2020-2021 | MiPlace](#)

Second, a community can submit all questions via email to: cdbg@michigan.org.

Each Friday, staff will post all Questions and Answers received and publish that information to the Q&A document posted to the CDBG-DR website.