

## SCORING CRITERIA

### PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC FACILITIES PROGRAM

#### Evaluation Criteria:

REVIEW FACTORS	POINTS
Project Detail and Justification	Up to 10 points
Tie Back to the Disaster	Up to 10 points
National Objective	Up to 15 points
Budget and Leveraged Funding	Up to 10 points
Benefit to Disadvantaged Communities	Up to 10 points
Infrastructure Capacity	Up to 15 points
Mitigation Measures	Up to 20 points
Coordination and Partnerships	Up to 5 points
Operations and Maintenance	Up to 5 points

#### How will the MEDC be evaluating applications?

Applications will be evaluated and scored on a variety of factors, including but not limited to:

- **Project Detail and Justification (10 points):** The Public Infrastructure and Public Facilities Program (IPF) will focus on improvements within the most impacted and distressed areas to address unmet recovery and mitigation needs associated with general public infrastructure and public facilities.
- **Tie Back to the Disaster (10 points):** Projects funded through the program will be required to address remaining direct and indirect impacts from the 2020/2021 severe storms.
- **National Objective (15 points):** Projects are encouraged to meet one of the national objectives of benefiting low-and moderate-income areas (LMA), low-and moderate-income clientele (LMC), or addressing an urgent need (UN). MEDC will rank projects benefiting low-and moderate-income persons higher.
- **Budget and Leveraged Funding (10 points):** Project budgets should include the sources and uses of available funding. MEDC will score higher projects that are able to leverage other sources of funding.
- **Benefit to Disadvantaged Communities (10 points):** MEDC will prioritize projects that provide the essential public infrastructure and public facilities in LMI and socially vulnerable communities, protect life and property, and address needs of members of protected classes, HUD-identified vulnerable populations, and historically underserved communities. Applications that sufficiently address this need will be scored higher.

- **Infrastructure Capacity (15 points):** Applicants must demonstrate how their available resources can accomplish the objectives of the grant funding and be compliant. MEDC will score higher applicants with robust policies and procedures and adequate staffing experience.
- **Mitigation Measures (20 points):** MEDC will rank projects higher that incorporate mitigation activities that address current and future risks. And projects that have a clear resilience performance measure to minimize the impact of future disasters and can specify metrics that can be tracked to ensure success.
- **Coordination and Partnerships (5 points):** If an applicant intends to utilize a partnership to complete a project, it must identify the partner/s in the application. Because coordination can improve rates of success and offer accountability, MEDC will rank higher applicants that leverage partnerships with other entities.
- **Operations and Maintenance (5 points):** Applicants should demonstrate how projects will be operated and maintained beyond the life of the CDBG-DR grant and the responsible entity. Projects with an adequate maintenance plan will be scored higher.