Bear River Association of Governments
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
2024 Rating & Ranking Criteria

This application can be found on the web at **https://brag.utah.gov/community-development-block-grants/**

1) What percent of the project beneficiaries fall into the following income groups?
20 points possible

							My Project Percentage
80% CMFI*	<51% **0 points**	51-55% **8 points**	56-60% **9 points**	61-70% **10 points**	71-80% **11 points**	81-100% **12 points**	
50% CMFI	65% or more of total project beneficiaries have household income at or below 50% CMFI **4 points**						
30% CMFI	40% or more of total project beneficiaries have household income at or below 30% CMFI **4 points**						
Opting to meet a HUD National Objective without income data**	Projects that meet a HUD National Objective by meeting the criteria for "presumed Low-to-Moderate Income (LMI)" groups or qualified Urgent Need projects may opt to not document specific LMI beneficiaries and receive **8 points** automatically. Qualified Slum & Blight projects may opt to receive **8 points** without providing income documentation. Urgent Need projects are not required to provide proof of income qualification and are limited in budget size and scope and may receive **9 points** without documenting specific LMI beneficiaries.					**Project Meets Criteria and opts to not document LMI** ____Yes	

* County Median Family Income (see jobs.utah.gov/housing/community/cdbg/publications.html or State Application Appendix C).
How to Document: Consult BRAG staff to determine the best way to document income for your project. **Projects that meet a HUD National Objective (see Chapter III of State Application Guide) by serving a HUD specified "Presumed Low-to-Moderate income (LMI) group or that aid in the prevention of slum or blight (National Object #2) or respond to an Urgent Need (National Object #3) may opt to receive "default" points in this category automatically without having to document LMI beneficiaries. Otherwise they must document LMI benefit and will not be eligible for default points. You <u>must</u> consult with BRAG staff if you think your project may qualify.

2) Is the jurisdiction implementing Fair Housing, Civil Rights and Quality Growth Principles? *10 points possible*

		My Jurisdiction Is Participating
3 Points	Has your jurisdiction addressed moderate income housing in its general plan as required by State Code Title 10-9a-403(2)(a)(iii)? (Towns with populations under 1,000 receive 2 points if no plan)	
2 Points	Does this project implement moderate income housing or homeless goals as identified in your general plan (whether required by state code or not) or in BRAG's Consolidated Plan?	
3 Points*	Has your jurisdiction adopted ordinances to protect and conserve water, air, energy resources, critical lands, important agriculture lands and/or historic places?*****	
1 Point	The Community has completed an "ADA Checklist for Readily Achievable Barrier Removal" for the main administrative office.	
1 Point	The Community has adopted the following policies – 1) Grievance Procedure under the Americans with Disabilities Act, 2) Section 504 and ADA Effective Communication Policy, 3) Language Access Plan and 4) Section 504 and ADA Reasonable Accommodation Policy	

* Applicants will receive one point for each ordinance adopted to protect or conserve water, air quality, energy resources, critical lands, important agriculture lands, and/or historic places. Up to three points possible. Attach copies of ordinances and planning documents to Application Packet.

3a) For Community-wide Projects – Does the jurisdiction have capacity to fund the project through increased taxes?

10 points possible

				Your Jurisdiction's Tax Rate as a Percentage of State Ceiling
Tax Rate as a % of Ceiling*	Tax rate <15% of ceiling **0 points**	Tax rate 16-25% of ceiling **5 points**	Tax rate >25% of ceiling **10 points**	

How to Document: BRAG staff will use the tax rate data produced by the Utah Tax Commission to confirm your jurisdiction taxing position. No documentation required.

OR

3b) For Drinking Water/Waste Water Projects – Are the system user fees competitive according to State Drinking Water and Water Quality standards?

10 points possible

				Your Jurisdiction's Utility Rate as a Percentage of MAGI
Maximum Affordable Water Bill (1.75% of MAGI)	Fee rate <0.6% of MAGI **0 points**	Fee rate 0.61-1.40% of MAGI **5 points**	Fee rate >1.40% of MAGI **10 points**	

Regional Priority

4) How does the project rate with regional priorities, goals, and policies? Regional priorities are determined by the Community Investment Council and BRAG Governing Board.

20 points possible

Regional priorities, goals, and policies	LMI Housing 20 points	Public Utility Infrastructure 16 points	Public Safety Activities 12 points	Removing Barriers 8 points	Community Facilities (non-recreational) 4 points	Other Projects 0 points	

Public Utility Infrastructure – Projects designed to increase the capacity of public utility systems to better serve the community. May include drinking water, wastewater disposal projects and transportation facilities. Infrastructure that serves LMI Housing construction will be rated using the **LMI Housing** category score.

Public Safety Activities - Projects related to the protection of life or property, would include activities such as flood control, fire protection, or abuse prevention projects in a community.

Community Facilities – Non-administrative and non-recreational facilities and service activities such as senior citizen centers, health clinics, and food banks.

LMI Housing – Projects designed to provide for the housing needs of very low, low, and moderate income families. May include the acquisition and/or rehabilitation of existing dwelling units or the development of public infrastructure that would serve LMI housing projects or homeless shelters. May **NOT** be used to construct new housing, but may be used to construct infrastructure to serve housing for qualified LMI households.

Removing Barriers – Accessibility to public facilities by persons with disabilities is mandated by federal law. Projects will remove accessibility barriers in existing public buildings and facilities constructed prior to 1996.

5) When was the last time the jurisdiction or organization was funded with CDBG and did you manage the project satisfactorily? *10 points possible*

						Program Year Last Funded with CDBG
Last funded with CDBG*	Applicant funded in 2023 0 Points	Applicant funded in 2022 1 Point	Applicant funded in 2021 2 Points	Applicant funded in 2020 3 Points	Applicant funded in 2019 or never funded. 5 Points	
Applicant Capacity to Administer Grant	Project Manager Consistency 1 point	Documentation/ Communication 1 point	Project Completed in Contract Period 1 point	Compliance with Regulations & Laws 2 points	**First-time applicant default: 2.5 Points**	

6) What is the overall project impact? *15 points possible*

Project Impact Geography	The project benefits fewer than 50 individuals 1 Point	The project benefits between 51 and 100 individuals 4 Points	The project benefits between 101 and 500 individuals 6 Points	The project benefits between 501 and 1000 individuals 8 Points	The project benefits more than 1000 individuals 10 Points	
Project Impact Beneficiaries	The project benefits a targeted population. **2.5 Points** **AND** The project addresses a critical need. **2.5 Points**					

Targeted population includes LMI populations and HUD-specified "presumed" LMI populations such as homeless, elderly, disabled adults, victims fleeing abuse, etc.

"Critical need" would include health and safety emergencies and special needs as defined in the Consolidated Plan such as transitional housing, mobility, respite care, etc.

7) Per Capita Funding – How much CDBG money is invested in each beneficiary?

5 points possible

Project CDBG $'s per Beneficiary	>$1,000 1 point	$800-999 2.5 points	$400-800 5 points	$200-800 7.5 points	$1-200 10 points	

8) *Does the project have competitive matching funds or leverage of funds?*

10 points possible

Applicant contribution and any other outside funding (Beneficiary Population >5,000) Percentage of non-CDBG funds invested in project	>40% **10 Points**	30.1-40% **7.5 Points**	20.1-30% **5 Points**	10.1-20% **2.5 Points**	<10% **0 Points**	
Applicant contribution and any other outside funding (Beneficiary Population 1,001-5,000) Percentage of non-CDBG funds invested in project	>30% **10 Points**	23.1-30% **7.5 Points**	15.1-23% **5 Points**	7.1-15% **2.5 Points**	<7% **0 Points**	
Applicant contribution and any other outside funding (Beneficiary Population 501-1,000) Percentage of non-CDBG funds invested in project	>20% **10 Points**	15.1-20% **7.5 Points**	10.1-15% **5 Points**	5.1-10% **2.5 Points**	<5% **0 Points**	
Applicant contribution and any other outside funding (Beneficiary Population <500) Percentage of non-CDBG funds invested in project	>10% **10 Points**	7.1-10% **7.5 Points**	4.1-7% **5 Points**	1-4% **2.5 Points**	<1% **0 Points**	