Deep East Texas Council of Governments

2019-2020 TxCDBG Program

Deep East Texas Regional Review Committee Guidebook

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Part I – Introduction

DEEP East Texas Regional Review Committee Guidebook

2019- 2020 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program

The Deep East Texas Regional Review Committee (DETRRC) Guidebook has been prepared in accordance with the TxCDBG Action Plan and the 2019-2020 Regional Review Committee Scoring and Training Guidelines for the Community Development Fund. The Guidebook provides eligible applicants from the Deep East Texas Council of Governments (DETCOG) region with the application guidelines necessary to be scored under the DETRRC scoring criteria.

Any questions regarding the RRC or the Guidebook should be directed in writing after the DETRRC Guidebook has been published on the website of the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) to:

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PART II – DETRRC Approved Actions

1. The DETRRC held its required Public Hearing on May 31, 2018, to hear Public comments on the proposed objective scoring criteria, and to approve the RRC Guidebook, project priorities and the objective scoring criteria.

2. The DETRRC selected the Deep East Texas Council of Governments as support staff to develop and disseminate the RRC Guidebook and calculate the RRC scores and provide other administrative RRC support.

3. The RRC established First Priority Projects as Water, Sewer, Streets, Roads, Bridges and Drainage.

   Also established Second Priority Projects as All Other Eligible TxCDBG project activities.

4. The RRC established the maximum grant amounts for the region:

   - Single Jurisdiction: $275,000.00
   - Multi-Jurisdictions: $350,000.00

5. The RRC did not establish set-asides for housing and non-border colonia projects.

PART III – DETRRC Summary of Objective Scoring Criteria

Total points by DETRRC: **180 points**

1. Project Type/Priority: **Total Points 160**

    - First Priority – **160 points**
    - Second Priority – **0 points**

2. Previous Funding: **Total Points 20**

PART IV – DETRRC Objective Scoring Criteria

Project Type/Priority – 160 Total Points

Scoring Factor:

1. Is the project categorized as:

   i. **First Priority project**: Water, Sewer, Streets, Roads, Bridges and Drainage **160 Points**
   ii. **Second Priority project**: all other TxCDBG eligible activities **0 Points**

METHODOLOGY: CD application Table 1 and Table 2 will be reviewed to determine the appropriate project type category and points will be assigned.

Although, Water, Sewer, Streets, Roads, Bridges & Drainage are considered First Priority and all eligible TxCDBG activities are considered under the Second Priority TDA will review all activities to determine eligibility and compliance with a national objective.

Applications with multiple activities that are not in the same priority will have their score pro-rated based upon the TxCDBG construction dollars associated with each activity.

Data Source: As stated below.

1. CD Fund application Table 1 and Table 2 as verified by TDA

Information Needed From Applicant to Score:
List of projects submitted by type as stated in Tables 1 & 2 (list as many as applicable).

1._____

2._____

Previous Funding – 20 Total Points

Scoring Factor:

2. Did the applicant receive an award in the 2017-2018 cycle of the CD Fund?

   i. **YES**, applicant did receive an award in the 2017-2018 cycle of the CD Fund **0 Points**
   ii. **NO**, applicant did not receive an award in the 2017-2018 cycle of the CD Fund **20 Points**

METHODOLOGY: The TDA tracking system report will be reviewed and points will be assigned. Multi-jurisdiction applicants will be assigned points based on an evaluation of each of the participating jurisdiction's funding and the highest points will be assigned. Applicants that received partial or marginal funding will be considered having received funding.

Data Source: TDA Tracking System Report

Information Needed from Applicant To Score:

Did the applicant receive an award in the 2017-2018 cycle of the CD Fund?

Yes _____

No _____

List Contract No(s):

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