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Task Force on Rural Health

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RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Rural Grants/Programs (former Rural Center)

CDBG – Economic Development

Utility Fund

ARC

NC Main Street Program

Division of Community Assistance

NC Broadband

Rural Infrastructure Authority

15-member Board

Governor / House / Senate

Grant awards for Rural Grants, CDBG-ED and Utility programs

Six (6) meetings per year

Special Called Meetings as needed for CDBG & Utility

Application date February 14 with award March 27

Application date April 1 with award May 15

Application date May 20 with award June 19

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Rural Grants/Programs

Building Restoration & Reuse

Vacant buildings and properties – vacant 3 months

Construct or expand rural health care facilities

Priorities to towns and communities of less than 5,000

Cap of \$500,000 or up to ½ of project cost

\$10,000 per job in Tier 1 & 2

\$5,000 per job in Tier 3

Local cash match of 5% (non state or federal funds)

Rural Grants/Programs

Economic Infrastructure - Job Creation

Critical Water & Wastewater

Other infrastructure (e.g. natural gas, broadband, rail)

Cap of \$500,000 with local match of 5%

\$10,000 per job in 80 most distressed

\$5,000 per job in 20 least distressed

CDBG – Economic Development

***CDBG Building Reuse Grants available to local government applicants that propose a project in conjunction with a private for-profit business**

Building must be vacant 30 consecutive days

***CDBG Infrastructure Grants & Loans for infrastructure development and to enhance community's economy**

Criteria varies by type business & Tier level

Rolling Applications – accepted anytime

Federal Funds

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Utility Fund

Infrastructure grants financed through statutory deductions from Job Development Investment Grant (JDIG) grant payments

25% if JDIG in Tier 3

15% if JDIG in Tier 2

Anticipated job creation program

No cap but historically grants up to \$500,000

Rolling Applications – accepted anytime

Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)

Serves 29 NC designated western counties

ARC program funding can be used for business development, entrepreneurship, planning and technical assistance, as well as various infrastructure needs

Cap of \$300,000 for construction projects and \$100,000 for other projects

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NC Main Street Program

Main Street Communities

Small Town Main Street Communities

An economic development program, framed in the context of historic preservation, Main Street advocates a comprehensive approach to downtown revitalization

Main Street Solutions Fund

Tier 2 & 3 communities and/or Main Street Communities

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Division of Community Assistance (DCA)

**NO LONGER ARE THERE NEW CDBG GRANT PROGRAMS
AWARDED BY DCA**

430 ACTIVE GRANTS WITH OVER \$150M AWARDED

**PLANNING THROUGH REGIONAL PLANNING OFFICES:
RALEIGH, WINSTON-SALEM, ASHEVILLE,
WASHINGTON AND WILMINGTON**

**COMMUNITY, LAND USE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
PLANNING, ZONING, MEETING FACILITATION, ETC.**

NC Broadband

Provide technical assistance to counties & towns:

- Understand current broadband availability

- Identify unserved and underserved businesses & residences

- Build partnerships with broadband service providers

- Identify opportunities to leverage assets

- Identify potential funding opportunities

Governor's 25-year Infrastructure Plan

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**TO INVEST IN COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
THROUGHOUT RURAL NORTH CAROLINA**

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