

ATTACHMENT E

CDBG CAPITAL PROJECT EVALUATION MATRIX

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<p>New Cuyama Recreation Hall Renovation</p> <p>Sponsor: County of Santa Barbara General Services Department</p>	<p>Due to severe lack of maintenance that has resulted in life safety and accessibility problems, the Department of General Services has requested \$400,000 of CDBG funds for the rehabilitation of the New Cuyama Recreation Hall. As there is a dearth of recreational and community facilities within reasonable proximity to the residents of New Cuyama and adjoining areas, the County has identified the potential to develop resources meeting this need on County-owned land within New Cuyama.</p> <p>This building was built in the 1950's and has been used for both recreation events and town hall meetings. While the community continues to use a portion of the building for community office space and meetings, its use for public recreation has been largely discontinued due to severe lack of maintenance that has resulted in life safety and accessibility problems.</p> <p>The community of New Cuyama consists of 800 citizens many of whom are employed in agriculture. This project would benefit low-income persons in accordance with CDBG program requirements.</p>	<p>This project is eligible for CDBG funds under:</p> <p>24 CFR §570.201(c) Public Facilities and Improvements & 24 CFR § 570.208(a)(1)(i) Benefiting a Low- and Moderate- Income Area</p> <p>Where at least 51% of residents qualify as Low- and Moderate- Income Persons</p>	<p>This project is within the Urban County Partnership parameters.</p> <p>The Urban County Partnership is comprised of the (unincorporated) County of Santa Barbara and the four member cities of Buellton, Carpinteria, Lompoc, and Solvang.</p> <p>In 2007 the County of Santa Barbara and City of Lompoc entered into a cooperation agreement whereby Lompoc agreed to relinquish its longstanding status as CDBG Entitlement in order for their population to be included in the County's. This allowed the County of Santa Barbara to qualify as an Urban County and become eligible to receive Community Development Block Grant funds (CDBG) annually. Therefore, projects located within the jurisdictions of the Urban County Partnership remain a top priority.</p> <p>The cities of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Santa Maria are entitlement jurisdictions for the federal CDBG program and receive their own funding.</p>	<p>This project is scheduled to be completed by April, 2010.</p> <p>A licensed Architect-Engineer firm has been hired and a detailed facility inspection and assessment has been performed. A final report detailing the needs and estimated construction cost has been completed. The environmental review under CEQA has been completed.</p> <p>According to the implementation schedule provided by the applicant, the planning and design of the rehabilitation can begin upon the award of CDBG funds, and is expected to take up to 60 days. The construction is estimated to begin 20 days after the completion of the planning and design, and is expected to be finished in 120 days after the award of the CDBG funds.</p> <p>The entitlement program rule for timeliness is that the County cannot have more than 1.5 times their annual CDBG allocation sitting in their line of credit at the U.S. Treasury. If the County has more than 1.5 times their allocation in their line of credit, HUD can withhold future grants until the County effectively spends their existing resources.</p>	<p>This project has a strong financial feasibility and a likelihood of being completed within the 2009-2010 program year.</p> <p>The building assessment study provided alternative cost options based on funding availability. An estimate of \$624,015 was quoted for the life safety, ADA accessibility, systems upgrades and replacements, and soft costs associated with the rehabilitation of the facility.</p> <p>The Recreation District has obtained a State grant for \$220,000 and the Santa Barbara County HCD has recommended funding \$353,766 towards the project under the 2009-2010 CDBG program year.</p> <p>In analyzing the probability of this project to be completed in a timely manner, the relationship between the amounts and sources of funding secured, versus the total cost of rehabilitation is examined. With the CDBG funds recommended, this project has approximately 92% of its funding secured. This represents a strong financial feasibility and a likelihood of the project being completed in a timely manner.</p>	<p>HCD has adequate resources to administer this project due to project scope and collaboration with General Services Dept.</p> <p>As the lead agency for the Urban County Partnership, the County of Santa Barbara is responsible for ensuring the regulatory compliance of its sub-recipients and their projects.</p> <p>This involves, but is not limited to the following: -Environmental Reviews under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) -Compliance with federal procurement requirements -Compliance with federal labor standards, including monitoring and reporting -Section 3 compliance and reporting -Disadvantaged / Minority / Women's Business Enterprise compliance and reporting -Reporting requirements through the U.S. Treasury</p> <p>As this project is a rehabilitation of a public facility, the NEPA is determined to be Categorically Excluded.</p> <p>General Services has a track record of working with HCD to ensure regulatory compliance, including assisting in the monitoring of federal prevailing wages.</p>	<p>This project fulfills a community development priority of the 2007-2010 Urban County Consolidated Plan.</p> <p>Community Facilities Priority</p> <p>Provide assistance to low-income neighborhoods by funding critical community facilities like neighborhood centers or libraries.</p>	<p>County projects allow for improved cost efficiency for HCD and participating departments.</p> <p>County projects are given priority, as working in collaboration with County departments will allow for joint work efforts and improved cost efficiency for HCD and participating departments.</p> <p>For example, the Capital Projects Division of the County's General Services Department has a plethora of experience and expertise, including completion of environmental reviews, the administering of prevailing wage, and compliance with procurement requirements. Additionally, General Services has a history of sharing work efforts with HCD in order to maximize productivity and efficiency.</p> <p>Furthermore, a percentage of CDBG funds can also be utilized for soft costs and activity delivery, thus reducing the need for the General Fund to pay for costs associated to design, project management, and implementation that are incurred by the County.</p>	<p>The applicant has substantial capacity.</p> <p>The Capital Projects Division of the County's General Services Department has a wide variety of experience and expertise. The applicant employs a team of specialists in the fields of engineering, architecture, and both construction and project management.</p> <p>The applicant has the resources necessary to complete the proposed project in a timely and efficient manner, and has a track record of working with HCD to ensure regulatory compliance.</p>
<p>Lompoc Veterans Memorial Building Upgrade</p> <p>Sponsor: County of Santa Barbara General Services Department</p>	<p>The County of Santa Barbara's General Services Department has requested \$350,000 in CDBG funding to rewire the Lompoc Veterans Memorial Building, minus the East Wing.</p> <p>Constructed in 1936, the Lompoc Veterans Memorial Building is a 20,393 square foot public facility. It has been designated as a City of Lompoc Historic Landmark and is owned by the County of Santa Barbara. The Lompoc Veterans Memorial Building serves as a community resource for the area's veterans, non-profit groups, and other residents. The Department of General Services has conducted an Assessment of Condition study indicating the sub-standard state of the building, and provided an estimate of \$496,506 to rewire the building, minus the East Wing.</p> <p>Due to over 51% of the City of Lompoc's population classifying as low-income, the project meets the national objective of Low/Moderate Income Area Benefit (LMA).</p>	<p>This project is eligible for CDBG funds under:</p> <p>24 CFR §570.201(c) Public Facilities and Improvements & 24 CFR § 570.208(a)(1)(i) Benefiting a Low- and Moderate- Income Area</p> <p>Where at least 51% of residents qualify as Low- and Moderate- Income Persons</p>	<p>This project is within the Urban County Partnership parameters.</p> <p>The Urban County Partnership is comprised of the (unincorporated) County of Santa Barbara and the four member cities of Buellton, Carpinteria, Lompoc, and Solvang.</p> <p>In 2007 the County of Santa Barbara and City of Lompoc entered into a cooperation agreement whereby Lompoc agreed to relinquish its longstanding status as CDBG Entitlement in order for their population to be included in the County's. This allowed the County of Santa Barbara to qualify as an Urban County and become eligible to receive Community Development Block Grant funds (CDBG) annually. Therefore, projects located within the jurisdictions of the Urban County Partnership remain a top priority.</p> <p>The cities of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Santa Maria are entitlement jurisdictions for the federal CDBG program and receive their own funding.</p>	<p>This project is scheduled to be completed by December, 2010.</p> <p>An Assessment of Condition study has been performed including a detailed estimation of the scope of work. The environmental review under CEQA was completed in June, 2009.</p> <p>According to the implementation schedule provided by the applicant, the planning and design of the electrical rewiring can begin upon the award of CDBG funds, and is anticipated to take up to 90 days.</p> <p>Bids are anticipated to be awarded in May, 2010 and the electrical rewiring scheduled to begin in June, 2010. This is estimated to take 6 months, ending in December, 2010.</p>	<p>This project is determined to be financially feasible and is scheduled to begin construction within the 2009-2010 program year.</p> <p>A building assessment study was completed estimating a cost of \$496,506 to rewire the building, minus the East Wing.</p> <p>Santa Barbara County HCD is recommending funding \$309,545 towards this project under the 2009-2010 CDBG program year.</p> <p>In addition to this funding, this project is also receiving a HUD EDI grant of \$807,500. Part of these funds will be used to cover the balance for the cost of the electrical rewiring. Thus, the activity of rewiring the electrical is fully funded and therefore financially feasible.</p>	<p>HCD has adequate resources to administer this project due to project scope and collaboration with General Services Dept.</p> <p>This project is receiving a HUD EDI grant totaling \$807,500. As CDBG is also funded by HUD, compliance and reporting requirements are similar. Thus, work efforts such as the completion of the Environmental Review under NEPA can be shared.</p> <p>As this project involves the rehabilitation of a public facility, the NEPA is determined to be Categorically Excluded.</p> <p>General Services has a track record of working with HCD to ensure regulatory compliance, including assisting in the monitoring of federal prevailing wages.</p>	<p>This project fulfills a community development priority of the 2007-2010 Urban County Consolidated Plan.</p> <p>Community Facilities Priority</p> <p>Provide assistance to low-income neighborhoods by funding critical community facilities like neighborhood centers or libraries.</p>	<p>County projects allow for improved cost efficiency for HCD and participating departments.</p> <p>County projects are given priority, as working in collaboration with County departments will allow for joint work efforts and improved cost efficiency for HCD and participating departments.</p> <p>As mentioned, this project is receiving additional federal funding from HUD through an EDI grant, which requires a federal Environmental Review under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). As CDBG also requires the completion of a NEPA, this work effort can be shared, thereby improving cost efficiency for HCD and General Services.</p> <p>Furthermore, a percentage of CDBG funds can also be utilized for soft costs and activity delivery, thus reducing the need for the General Fund to pay for costs associated project management and implementation that are incurred by the County.</p>	<p>The applicant has substantial capacity.</p> <p>The Capital Projects Division in the County's General Services Department has a wide variety of experience and expertise. The applicant employs a team of specialists in the fields of engineering, architecture, and both construction and project management.</p> <p>The applicant has the resources necessary to complete the proposed project in a timely and efficient manner, and has a track record of working with HCD to ensure regulatory compliance.</p>

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<p>North County Home Restoration and Rehabilitation</p> <p>Sponsor: Habitat for Humanity of Northern Santa Barbara County</p>	<p>The Home Restoration and Rehabilitation program, proposed by Habitat for Humanity, will rehabilitate and restore homes owned and inhabited by low-income families in Northern Santa Barbara County. Habitat for Humanity has requested \$120,000 in CDBG funding for the 2009-2010 program year.</p> <p>This funding will be used to rehabilitate six homes and provide the home owners with safe and healthy living conditions. In order to qualify for assistance from Habitat for Humanity, a home owner must reside in the home and be certified as low-income.</p> <p>By targeting potential sources for neighborhood blight, this program tackles an increasing crisis affecting Northern Santa Barbara County. Additionally, the Home Restoration and Rehabilitation program satisfies the CDBG objective of providing decent housing. As the County does not currently have a housing rehabilitation program, the Home Restoration and Rehabilitation program provides an opportunity to build administrative capacity for the sponsor.</p>	<p>This program is eligible for CDBG funds under:</p> <p>24 CFR § 570.202(a)(1) Homeowner Rehabilitation & 24 CFR § 570.208(a)(3) Low- and Moderate- Income Housing Benefit</p> <p>Where at least 51% of residents qualify as Low- and Moderate- Income Persons</p>	<p>This program is not exclusively within the Urban County Partnership parameters.</p> <p>The Urban County Partnership is comprised of the (unincorporated) County of Santa Barbara and the four member cities of Buellton, Carpinteria, Lompoc, and Solvang.</p> <p>In addition to operating in areas of Northern Santa Barbara County included in the Urban County Partnership, this program also operates in the cities of Santa Maria and Guadalupe.</p> <p>However, as potential sites are determined based on applications to Habitat for Humanity, the homes to be rehabbed may be within the Urban County parameters.</p>	<p>This program is scheduled to be completed by June, 2010.</p> <p>In its application, Habitat for Humanity of Northern Santa Barbara County estimated it would rehabilitate 6 homes using CDBG funds during the 2009-2010 program year.</p> <p>Therefore, this program is scheduled to be completed by June 30, 2010.</p>	<p>This program has a strong financial feasibility and a likelihood of being completed within the 2009-2010 program year.</p> <p>Habitat for Humanity has estimated a cost of \$138,000 for its program budget for 2009-2010. The applicant also estimated it would rehabilitate 8 homes, 6 of which would be funded by CDBG, for the 2009-2010 program year. County HCD is recommending this program receive \$106,130 of CDBG funds. Combined with the \$18,000 of private donations received by Habitat for Humanity, this program would have 90% of its budget secured.</p> <p>The Home Restoration and Rehabilitation program has a strong financial feasibility, mainly due to the size of its budget. Upon the award of CDBG funding, the applicant will have adequate resources to implement its program. This is mainly due to the utilization of volunteer labor in order to reduce costs.</p> <p>Additionally, the Davis-Bacon Act, which requires workers receive no less than federal prevailing wages, does not apply to the rehabilitation of residential structures containing less than 8 units.</p>	<p>HCD has adequate resources to administer this project due to project scope and collaboration with Habitat for Humanity.</p> <p>Due to the scope of the Housing Restoration and Rehabilitation project, the requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act do not apply. As a result, the County will not undertake the substantial reporting and monitoring required to ensure compliance with the Act, which alleviates the burden imposed on limited resources.</p> <p>As this project involves home rehabilitation, the Environmental Review under NEPA is considered Categorically Excluded. This level of review is significantly less than an Environmental Assessment required for new construction.</p> <p>Additionally, the project sponsor will verify and document each participating resident's eligibility which will also lessen the demand on the HCD's resources. This type of collaborative effort between the grantee and the sub-recipient is necessary to complete a project funded with CDBG efficiently, with limited resources.</p>	<p>This project fulfills a housing priority of the 2007-2010 Urban County Consolidated Plan.</p> <p>Housing Priority</p> <p>Maintain and upgrade existing low-income affordable housing stock.</p>	<p>This project is administratively cost efficient due to program scope and collaboration with Habitat for Humanity.</p> <p>As mentioned, due to the scope of the Housing Restoration and Rehabilitation program, the requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act do not apply. As a result, County HCD will not undertake the substantial reporting and monitoring required to ensure compliance with the Act, thereby reducing administrative costs and improving efficiency.</p> <p>Additionally, the project sponsor will verify and document each participating resident's eligibility which will also lessen the demand on HCD resources. This type of collaborative effort between the grantee and the sub-recipient is necessary to complete a project funded with CDBG efficiently.</p>	<p>HCD does not have experience working with Habitat for Humanity of Northern Santa Barbara County and therefore cannot comment on the capacity of the applicant.</p>
<p>Bridgehouse Greenhouses</p> <p>Sponsor: Lompoc Housing & Community Development Corporation</p>	<p>The Lompoc Housing & Community Development Corporation (LHCDC) has requested \$50,000 of CDBG funding for the rehabilitation of three existing greenhouses, into functional on-site greenhouses for the Bridgehouse Shelter program.</p> <p>The greenhouses will provide vocational training to homeless and other very-low income individuals. The proposal states that the greenhouses will provide opportunities for horticulture programs and result in an ongoing stream of income for the shelter. According to the implementation schedule, the greenhouses would be operational by January, 2010.</p> <p>The request for \$50,000 of CDBG funding includes the hard costs associated with the rehabilitation of the three greenhouses and running new water lines from the well to the greenhouses.</p>	<p>This project is eligible for CDBG funds under:</p> <p>24 CFR §570.203(a) Economic Development & 24 CFR § 570.208(a)(2)(i) Benefiting Low- and Moderate- Income Clientele</p> <p>Where at least 51% of whom qualify as Low- and Moderate- Income Persons</p>	<p>This project is within the Urban County Partnership parameters.</p> <p>The Urban County Partnership is comprised of the (unincorporated) County of Santa Barbara and the four member cities of Buellton, Carpinteria, Lompoc, and Solvang.</p> <p>In 2007 the County of Santa Barbara and City of Lompoc entered into a cooperation agreement whereby Lompoc agreed to relinquish its longstanding status as CDBG Entitlement in order for their population to be included in the County's. This allowed the County of Santa Barbara to become eligible to receive Community Development Block Grant funds (CDBG) annually. Therefore, projects located within the jurisdictions of the Urban County Partnership remain a top priority.</p> <p>The cities of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Santa Maria are entitlement jurisdictions for the federal CDBG program and receive their own funding.</p>	<p>This project is scheduled to be completed within the 2009-2010 program year.</p> <p>On February 4th, 2009, HCD staff performed a site visit to review the scope of the project. While the structures of the greenhouses remain, they are non-operational and need substantial rehabilitation.</p> <p>With an overall budget in the amount of \$94,500, and a balance of unsecured funding of \$42,779, the costs needed to complete this project are relatively low.</p> <p>The applicant has indicated this project will be completed within the 2009-2010 program year.</p>	<p>This project is determined to be financially feasible.</p> <p>According to the application, LHCDC has estimated this project will cost \$94,500. In addition to the \$44,221 of CDBG funds recommended by County HCD, LHCDC will contribute \$7,500 to this project. Therefore, approximately 55% of the project budget is secure.</p> <p>LHCDC also indicated in the application that it would apply for \$37,000 in grants from the SB Foundation and the McCune Foundation.</p> <p>While approximately 45% of the project budget is unsecured, the total costs of development remain relatively low, thus increasing the financial feasibility of the project.</p>	<p>HCD has adequate resources to administer this project due to project scope.</p> <p>This project would require compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act. County HCD would assume responsibilities of monitoring and reporting in accordance with federal labor standard statutes.</p> <p>However, as this project involves the rehabilitation of existing greenhouses, the Environmental Review under NEPA is considered Categorically Excluded. This level of review is significantly less than one involving new construction, and therefore would lessen the demand of County HCD resources.</p>	<p>This project fulfills a community development priority of the 2007-2010 Urban County Consolidated Plan.</p> <p>Economic Development Priority</p> <p>Provide resources to improve the overall economic health of low-income neighborhoods by improving access to capital or by creation of micro-enterprises or by job training programs for low-income persons.</p> <p>HUD has identified a lack of Economic Development programs associated with the County HCD. Therefore, this program would address the federal objective of creating economic opportunities, and improve the County's performance rating.</p>	<p>This project is administratively cost efficient due to project scope.</p> <p>As this project is involves the rehabilitation of existing greenhouses, the Environmental Review under NEPA is considered Categorically Excluded. This level of review is significantly less than one involving new construction, and therefore would lessen the demand of County HCD resources.</p> <p>As this project would involve a construction contract in excess of \$2,000, the Davis-Bacon Act would apply. Therefore, County HCD would be responsible for compliance with federal labor standards statutes and regulations, including monitoring and reporting.</p> <p>However, as the construction contract is under \$100,000, this project would be exempt from Section 3 compliance and reporting.</p>	<p>This project will help strengthen the applicant's capacity.</p> <p>To strengthen the financial capacity of Lompoc Housing and Community Development Corporation, this project will serve as an income source to bring much needed revenue to support the shelter's ongoing operations.</p>

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<p>Self Employment Training Course</p> <p>Sponsor: Women's Economic Ventures</p>	<p>The Women's Economic Ventures (WEV) Self Employment Training Course (SET) is designed to help women overcome barriers to entrepreneurship. This program involves the training of self-assessment, business feasibility, marketing, finance, operational and personnel management, and business planning.</p> <p>WEV proposes to hold a total of eight (8) SET courses (6 English and 2 Spanish) throughout Santa Barbara County during 2009-2010, to serve an estimated 100 clients, the majority of whom are of low-moderate income.</p> <p>\$50,000 of CDBG funds has been requested to underwrite a portion of the SET instructor fees, as well as costs associated with marketing the SET program throughout the community.</p>	<p>This project is eligible for CDBG funds under:</p> <p>24 CFR §570.203(a) Economic Development & 24 CFR § 570.208(a)(2)(i) Benefiting Low- and Moderate- Income Clientele</p> <p>Where at least 51% of whom qualify as Low- and Moderate- Income Persons</p>	<p>This program is not exclusively within the Urban County Partnership parameters.</p> <p>The Urban County Partnership is comprised of the (unincorporated) County of Santa Barbara and the four member cities of Buellton, Carpinteria, Lompoc, and Solvang.</p> <p>While the Self Employment Training Course is held at locations in Santa Barbara and Santa Maria, many of the clients it serves are from the jurisdictions which compose the Urban County.</p>	<p>This program is scheduled to be completed by June, 2010.</p> <p>Due to the structure of the WEV SET program and its semester schedule, timely expenditures of CDBG funds is ensured. As these CDBG funds would be used to underwrite a portion of the SET instructor fees, as well as costs associated with marketing the SET program, the funds would be spent by the completion of the program year.</p>	<p>This program has a strong financial feasibility and is scheduled to be completed within the 2009-2010 program year.</p> <p>According to the program budget provided in the application, \$592,648 has already been secured. Combined with the recommended allocation of \$22,110 from the Santa Barbara Urban County, this represents 96% of the total program cost in secured funds. Therefore, the WEV SET program is determined to have a strong financial feasibility.</p>	<p>HCD has adequate resources to administer this project due to program scope.</p> <p>As this program does not involve construction or rehabilitation, the Environmental Review under NEPA is considered exempt.</p> <p>For this reason, the Davis-Bacon Act also does not apply.</p> <p>Furthermore, Women's Economic Ventures income-certifies their participants to ensure regulatory compliance, which assists staff in reporting beneficiary data.</p>	<p>This project fulfills a community development priority of the 2007-2010 Urban County Consolidated Plan.</p> <p>Economic Development Priority</p> <p>Provide resources to improve the overall economic health of low-income neighborhoods by improving access to capital or by creation of micro-enterprises or by job training programs for low-income persons.</p> <p>HUD has identified a lack of Economic Development programs associated with the County HCD. Therefore, this program would address the federal objective of creating economic opportunities, and improve the County's performance rating.</p>	<p>This project is administratively cost efficient due to program scope and collaboration with Women's Economic Ventures.</p> <p>As mentioned, due to the scope of the WEV SET program, the requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act do not apply. As a result, County HCD will not undertake the substantial reporting and monitoring required to ensure compliance with the Act, thereby reducing administrative costs and improving efficiency.</p> <p>Additionally, as this program does not involve construction or rehabilitation, the Environmental Review under NEPA is considered exempt.</p> <p>Furthermore, the project sponsor will verify and document each participating resident's eligibility and collect HUD reporting data, which will also lessen the demand on HCD resources. This type of collaborative effort between the grantee and the sub-recipient is necessary to complete a project funded with CDBG efficiently.</p>	<p>The applicant has substantial capacity.</p> <p>Women's Economic Ventures has a history of utilizing CDBG funds and working with entitlement jurisdictions, including County HCD</p> <p>The WEV SET program has been in existence since 1991, indicating the experience and expertise needed to complete this program.</p>
<p>VTC Quality of Life Services Building</p> <p>Sponsor: VTC Enterprises</p>	<p>VTC Enterprises is requesting an allocation of \$100,000 in CDBG funding for the construction of a new 18,260 square foot building to serve adults with severe disabilities.</p> <p>The Quality of Life Services program provides independent living skills and vocational training to adults with developmental and other disabilities.</p> <p>The proposed project, located in the City of Santa Maria, sits on a site currently owned by VTC Enterprises and would accommodate the participants of VTC's Quality of Life Services (QLS). The City of Santa Maria, which is not part of the Urban County Partnership, has reserved \$520,000 of CDBG funds for the construction of the QLS building.</p>	<p>This project is eligible for CDBG funds under:</p> <p>24 CFR §570.201(c) Handicapped Center & 24 CFR § 570.208(a)(2)(i) Benefiting Low- and Moderate- Income Clientele</p> <p>Where at least 51% of whom qualify as Low- and Moderate- Income Persons</p>	<p>This project is not within the Urban County Partnership parameters.</p> <p>Urban County Partnership is comprised of the (unincorporated) County of Santa Barbara and the four member cities of Buellton, Carpinteria, Lompoc, and Solvang.</p> <p>This project is located in the City of Santa Maria. The City of Santa Maria is an entitlement jurisdiction and receives its own CDBG funds. The City has reserved \$520,000 in CDBG for this project.</p> <p>The County of Santa Barbara would not have received CDBG funds if not for Lompoc relinquishing its entitlement status to form the Urban County Partnership. Therefore, projects located within the jurisdictions of the Urban County Partnership remain a top priority.</p> <p>While some of VTC's clients may reside within the Urban County, according to its application, VTC stated that the Service Area of the proposed project will include South San Luis Obispo County, and the City of Santa Maria, both of which are outside the boundaries of the Urban County.</p>	<p>There is uncertainty when this project will be completed.</p> <p>Project readiness remains a significant criterion for the funding evaluation process. As mentioned, if the grantee has more than 1.5 times their allocation in their line of credit, HUD can withhold future grants until the grantee effectively spends their existing resources. Essentially, the timeliness of a project is of particular relevance, in order to avoid the deobligation of federal funds.</p> <p>VTC stated in its application that \$1,592,331 of the project budget remained unsecured. This represents approximately 40% of the overall cost of development. With such a large amount of needed funding still outstanding, there is uncertainty of when this project will be completed.</p>	<p>There is a substantial amount of funding yet to be secured.</p> <p>According to the project budget provided by the applicant, the new construction of the Quality of Life Services Building is estimated to cost \$3,992,331.</p> <p>According to the application, funding secured for this project is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1,770,000 was secured by the sale of McCoy easement property to the City of Santa Maria for the extension of McCoy Lane. • \$520,000 in CDBG funds have been reserved by the City of Santa Maria. • \$110,000 has been secured by private donations from various foundations. <p>This leaves a balance of \$1,592,331 that, at the time of the application's submittal, was yet to be secured.</p> <p>The Capital Campaign is ongoing, and cannot be stated as secured funding at this time.</p> <p>In addition to the \$100,000 of CDBG funds requested in its application, VTC stated that the remaining funds would be acquired through its Capital Campaign, continued grant seeking, and requests to various foundations.</p>	<p>As new construction, this project will require significant County HCD resources to administer.</p> <p>New construction projects require an Environmental Assessment under NEPA, which is substantially more complex than Environmental Reviews for rehabilitation. The VTC QLS building was the only applicant proposing new construction for the 2009/2010 CDBG program year.</p> <p>Each CDBG entitlement jurisdiction must complete a NEPA before any funds are committed. While the City of Santa Maria has reserved \$520,000 in CDBG funds and is responsible for completing the NEPA, so too is the County HCD responsible for producing its own NEPA. While some collaboration may be possible, the City of Santa Maria is not in the Urban County Partnership and in no way obliged to share work efforts.</p> <p>The County HCD would still be responsible for administering compliance and reporting under the Davis-Bacon Act, as well as Section 3, D/MBE/WBE, and the reporting of other HUD required data. These cannot be joint work efforts.</p>	<p>This project fulfills a community development priority of the 2007-2010 Urban County Consolidated Plan.</p> <p>Public Services Priority</p> <p>Provide assistance to low-income neighborhoods by funding critical public services like health services or services for special needs population.</p>	<p>As new construction, this project will require significant County HCD resources, thereby decreasing its cost efficiency.</p> <p>Both the City of Santa Maria and the County of Santa Barbara would be responsible for completing the environmental review under NEPA. While some collaboration may be possible, the City of Santa Maria is not in the Urban County Partnership and in no way obliged to share work efforts.</p> <p>The County HCD would still be responsible for compliance with federal procurement requirements; compliance with federal labor standards statutes and regulations, including monitoring and reporting; Section 3 compliance and reporting; Disadvantaged / Minority / Women's Business Enterprise compliance and reporting; and the reporting other HUD required data.</p>	<p>HCD does not have experience working with VTC and therefore cannot comment on its capacity.</p>

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<p>Lompoc Valley Medical Center Birthing Center</p> <p>Sponsor: Lompoc Hospital District Foundation</p>	<p>Due to the Lompoc Valley Medical Center not meeting State-mandated seismic requirements, a California State Bond was issued to construct a new hospital. The new facility will be ready for occupancy in March 2010. A new birthing center is being proposed for this facility, which will cost in excess of \$1,000,000. For the entire hospital, there is a need for \$6,000,000 in movable furniture and equipment.</p> <p>The bond funds cannot legally be used for the purchase of movable furniture and equipment. The Lompoc Hospital District Foundation is requesting \$350,000 to fund the purchase of equipment needed to operate the facility. Included in the application was a cost estimation of the equipment needed for its operation.</p>	<p>This project is determined to be ineligible for CDBG funds under:</p> <p>24 CFR §570.207(b)(1)</p> <p>The proposed activity of purchasing equipment is generally ineligible.</p> <p>The equipment list provided by the applicant included equipment needed to operate the facility.</p> <p>Equipment is only eligible if it is considered an integral structural part of the facility. Equipment used for operations is not determined to be structural, and thus ineligible.</p>	<p>N/A due to federal ineligibility</p>	<p>N/A due to federal ineligibility</p>	<p>N/A due to federal ineligibility</p>	<p>N/A due to federal ineligibility</p>	<p>N/A due to federal ineligibility</p>	<p>N/A due to federal ineligibility</p>	<p>N/A due to federal ineligibility</p>

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<p>Recommendations are determined based upon the following criteria which are identified in the 2007-2010 Santa Barbara Urban County Partnership Consolidated Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal eligibility • Geographic distribution of funds • Project readiness • Financial feasibility of the proposed project • Adequacy of County resources available to administer the proposed project • Urban County Community Development Priorities • Cost efficiency • Administrative capacity of the applicant 	<p>The assessment of a project's eligibility to receive federal funding under the CDBG program is the fundamental component in the evaluation process.</p> <p>The CDBG regulations set forth eligible activities and the national objectives that each activity must meet. As recipients of CDBG funds, grantees are charged with ensuring that these requirements are met.</p>	<p>The Urban County Partnership is comprised of the County of Santa Barbara and four member cities of Buellton, Carpinteria, Lompoc and Solvang.</p> <p>Entering into this partnership allowed the County of Santa Barbara to qualify as an Urban County eligible to receive CDBG annually, and therefore projects located within the jurisdictions of the Urban County Partnership remain a top priority.</p> <p>It also must be noted that the cities of Santa Barbara, Goleta, and Santa Maria are also entitlement jurisdictions for the federal CDBG program, and receive their own funding.</p> <p>Consequently, projects located within the Urban County Partnership are given priority over projects located within other entitlement jurisdictions.</p>	<p>Project readiness remains a significant criterion and is a priority of the funding evaluation process. This priority is based on the entitlement program rule for timeliness imposed by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).</p> <p>Timeliness refers to how quickly the grantee (the County) is able to commit and expend CDBG funds. The entitlement program rule for timeliness is that the County cannot have more than 1.5 times their annual allocation sitting in their line of credit at the U.S. Treasury.</p> <p>This analysis for entitlements is calculated at 60 days prior to the end of the grantee's program year. If the County chronically has more than 1.5 times their allocation in their line of credit, HUD can withhold future grants until the grantee effectively spends their existing resources. Therefore, it is crucial for projects to be in the position to expend funds in a timely matter.</p>	<p>A critical element in the evaluation of the applicant is the financial feasibility of the proposed project.</p> <p>In analyzing the probability of a project to be completed in a timely manner, the relationship between the amounts and sources of funding secured, versus the total cost of development is examined.</p> <p>A substantial gap in secured funds, or a high cost of development indicates a weak financial feasibility. Sufficient funding must be secured to ensure the completion of the proposed project as it pertains to the issues raised under Project Readiness.</p>	<p>As the lead agency for the Urban County Partnership, the County of Santa Barbara is responsible for ensuring the regulatory compliance of its sub-recipients.</p> <p>This involves, but is not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Reviews under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) • Compliance with federal procurement requirements • Compliance with federal labor standards, including monitoring and reporting • Section 3 compliance and reporting • Disadvantaged / Minority / Women's Business Enterprise compliance and reporting • Additional HUD reporting requirements <p>Due to limited resources and staffing constraints, the adequacy of County resources to administer the proposed project is a significant factor.</p>	<p>Projects that address the priorities and objectives articulated in the Urban County 2007-2010 Consolidated Plan are given precedence in the evaluation process.</p>	<p>With consideration to staffing constraints, efficiency of administering each project is a significant component of the evaluation process.</p> <p>For this reason County projects are also given priority, so long as they meet the federal eligibility requirements, and satisfy other evaluation criteria.</p> <p>This is due to the expertise, experience, and resources available to the County. By working in collaboration with County departments, joint work efforts will allow for improved cost efficiency for HCD and participating departments.</p> <p>Furthermore, a percentage of CDBG funds can also be utilized for activity delivery, thus reducing the need for the General Fund to pay for costs associated to project management and implementation that are incurred by County departments.</p>	<p>The capacity of the applicant is an important component of the evaluation process.</p> <p>The assessment of the applicant's capacity is based on whether the applicant has experience completing similar projects; whether the applicant has experience working with the County HCD; whether the applicant possesses the necessary technical expertise; and whether the applicant has adequate resources needed to complete the proposed project.</p> <p>These factors are all crucial for the realization of a proposed project, and are therefore significant in the CDBG funding determinations.</p>