

**LEXINGTON COUNTY
2008 CDBG PROGRAM
APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE**

(REFER TO APPLICATION HANDBOOK FOR ASSISTANCE IN COMPLETING AND SUBMITTING THIS APPLICATION)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Applicant Name: Town of South Congaree

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Title: Town Administrator

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City: South Congaree

State: SC

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*Please provide as follow-up information may be sent by email or fax

2. PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Title: Pine Street Paving

Location of the project: Approx. 1/10th of a mile of Pine St near the intersection of Pine and Church Streets

Map attached showing general location of project (City/County level):

Map attached showing specific location of project (Street level):

Total Project Cost: \$140,000

CDBG Funds Requested: \$140,000

3. USE OF FUNDS – Briefly, using bullet points, detail the specific use of CDBG funds for this project

(This information will be used for project reviews)

- Acquisition of easments
- Paving
- Engineering and Administration

(A more complete description of your project should be given in response to Narrative Question 1)

4. PROJECT SCHEDULE / TIMELINE – When do you expect to begin and end the project?

(NOTE: Funds will not be available until after July 1)

Expected Project Begin Date (Mo/Year): July 1, 2008

Expected Project End Date (Mo/Year): June 30, 2010

5. GRANT ADMINISTRATION – Who will administer the grant and be responsible for all compliance issues? What experience do they have in administering CDBG projects?

- Central Midlands Council of Governments will provide grant administration and be responsible for administration and compliance issues
- Central Midlands COG has more than 20 years experience working with and providing administration on State of SC funded CDBG projects and is knowledgeable of CDBG regulations and requirements.
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6. SELECT THE ELIGIBLE ACTIVITY YOUR PROJECT WILL MEET See Application Handbook Part 3

Acquisition

Clearance/Demolition

Code Enforcement

Economic Development

Housing

Planning

Public Facilities & Improvements

Public Services

Relocation

Other: List

7. SELECT THE NATIONAL OBJECTIVE YOUR PROJECT WILL MEET See Application Handbook Part 3

Benefit to low-and-moderate income persons (if you check this, you must choose one below)

Area Benefit:

Limited Clientele

Jobs

Housing

Aid in the prevention or elimination of slum or blight (if you check this, you must choose one below)

Area Basis

Spot Basis

8. DOCUMENTING THE NATIONAL OBJECTIVE

When benefit is to Low / Moderate Income persons, how will you verify income?

Income Verification Documentation (tax returns, pay stubs, etc.)

Income Survey verifying at least 51%, by using

Participant Survey

Survey method meeting HUD requirements

Serving 100% of clientele that meet one of the following presumed benefit categories

Abused Children

Illiterate Adults

Homeless Persons

Battered Spouses

Migrant Farm Workers

Severely Disabled

Elderly Persons (62+)

Persons with AIDS

Census Tract / Block Group Data (Contact CDBG Program staff for guidance)

% of LMI Persons in Area: 56.12%

List ALL Census Tract(s) and Block Group(s) numbers to Benefit: 207031

For Slum and Blight Projects, how will you verify?

Area – substantial number of deteriorated/ing buildings or public improvements in an area. Documentation is attached on the boundaries of the area and the conditions that qualified the area at the time of designation.

Spot – spot designation and project qualifies for acquisition, clearance, relocation, historic preservation or building rehabilitation (limited to the extent necessary to eliminate a specific condition detrimental to public health and safety).

9. PROJECT ACCOMPLISHMENT/BENEFIT DATA See Application Handbook Part 2

Based on the primary activity, funding source and intent of your project, select the most appropriate response:

The primary purpose of this project is to:

- Create a suitable living environment
- Provide decent housing
- Provide economic opportunity

The primary outcome expected at the end of this project is:

- Improved availability / accessibility (makes basics available to LMI persons)
- Improved affordability (makes an activity more affordable for LMI persons)
- Improved sustainability (using resources in a targeted area to help make that area more viable)

Total Number of People That Would Benefit From This Project:

10. HUD STRATEGIC GOALS

(Pick one most applicable to the goal(s) of your project)

- Increase homeownership opportunities
- Promote decent affordable housing
- Strengthen communities
- Ensure equal opportunity in housing
- Embrace high standards of ethics, management and accountability
- Promote participation of faith-based and community-based organizations

11. LEXINGTON COUNTY PRIORITIES

(Pick one of the following priority needs that your service or activity most promotes)

- Ensure adequate and dependable public facilities are available to provide for basic and essential needs and services.
- Ensure adequate and safe infrastructure to meet basic needs of residents.
- Develop and produce plans and studies that will assist in identifying and evaluating community needs and establish detailed strategies for implementation.
- Establish or support programs that provide needed public services and/or increase the level of service provided by existing programs.
- Support and provide assistance to non-profit and for-profit entities that create, increase or retain employment opportunities for LMI residents.
- Provide and/or support adequate, safe and affordable housing.
- Provide mechanisms and forums for collaboration, coordination, and community capacity building.
- Support programs that provide housing and services for homeless populations.

12. PROJECT BUDGET – Attach supporting documentation if available

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Budgeted Activities	Total Project Cost	CDBG Funds Requested
Administration of Grant:	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000
Engineering, Architect or Other Professional Fees:	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
Construction Costs:	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
Property Acquisition (Easements, Right of Way, etc.):	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
Environmental Review:	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Other (Be Specific):	\$	\$
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Total	\$ 140,000	\$ 140,000

Funding Source(s) (attach documentation showing the provider and the specific amount)	Amount of Funds	Committed	Pending
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LIST ANY AND ALL FUNDING FROM LEXINGTON COUNTY (other than CDBG)			
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Cost Estimate Reasonableness and Accuracy

Who Prepared the Budget Cost Estimates?

- Applicant: Name of Staff Person(s):
- Contracted Engineer: Name of Firm:
- Other Contractor or Consultant: Name of Firm: Lexington County Public Works (construction);
Central Midlands COG (Administration)

When Were the Budget Cost Estimates Prepared? October 2007

On What Basis Did You Determine That the Estimated Costs Were Reasonable and Accurate?

The project costs were based upon costs on similar projects being completed by Lexington County's Public Works Department and Central Midlands COG.

NON-CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS		
Budgeted Activities	Total Project Costs	CDBG Funds Requested
Salaries:	\$	\$
Fringe Benefits:	\$	\$
FICA:	\$	\$
Health Insurance:	\$	\$
Worker's Compensation:	\$	\$
Unemployment:	\$	\$
Rent:	\$	\$
Equipment:	\$	\$
Insurance:	\$	\$
Phone/Fax:	\$	\$
Postage:	\$	\$
Printing:	\$	\$
Supplies/Materials:	\$	\$
Travel and Expenses:	\$	\$
Contract Services:	\$	\$
Other: (attach details)	\$	\$
Total	\$	\$

Funding Source(s) (attach documentation verifying committed funds)	Amount of Funds	Committed	Pending
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- Other Contractor or Consultant: Name of Firm:

When Were the Budget Cost Estimates Prepared?

On What Basis Did You Determine That the Estimated Costs Were Reasonable and Accurate?

13. NARRATIVE QUESTIONS

All Projects

NOTE: *Attach additional sheets as necessary. Applications submitted without complete responses to the narrative questions will not be processed.*

1. Provide a detailed description of your proposed project.

The proposed project would pave approximately 420 feet of Pine Street (a public County maintained roadway) that is currently dirt. The surrounding/connecting streets in this area of South Congaree are paved and have been for some time. This small piece of unpaved road was not paved when the previous work was completed due to difficulty in obtaining easements from property owners along the roadway. Because the Town was unable to obtain easements to complete this section of road, it has remained unpaved. This situation has changed in recent years and the Town and the current property owners want this small section of roadway that is currently unpaved to be paved. This would be an improvement for the entire community as it would provide a safe, dependable road surface in this area that is better for the residents, better for emergency vehicles as well as buses and other traffic. All of the surrounding and connecting streets are paved and this project would complete a remaining unpaved portion of roadway within the Town limits.

2. What will you accomplish with CDBG Funding?

CDBG funding will be used for acquisition of easements, paving of the roadway, engineering costs and administration costs. Acquisition may be necessary for the purchase of easements needed for completion of the paving activity. Engineering costs will be incurred for design of the improvement, bidding of construction services and construction management and oversight. Administration costs will be incurred for activities related to compliance with CDBG program regulations and overall project oversight and management.

3. What will happen if CDBG funds are not provided for your project this year?

If CDBG funds are not provided for this project, the work will not be accomplished.

Construction Projects Only

1. Will all construction take place on public property? If not, explain in detail.

It may not be possible for all construction work to occur within public right-of-way. It may be necessary to acquire small easements from property owners along the roadway. If acquisition is necessary, all appropriate steps will be taken to ensure that acquisition proceeds according to CDBG program regulations.

Public Service Projects Only

1. Describe any increase in services, new service to be provided, or expansion of services from previous CDBG grant award(s).

2. If your project is selected for funding, how will you continue to provide services if you are not selected in future years?

3. If you are a non-profit agency, do you have 501(c)(3) United States Internal Revenue Service tax exemption? If so, attach documentation with your application.

14. Letters of Support – OPTIONAL (attach and identify any letters of support for your project)	
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15. Other Documentation (please describe any additional documents you are providing)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other: Maps
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other

16. CERTIFICATION	
<p>I certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct and that it contains no misrepresentations, falsifications, intentional omissions, or concealment of material facts. I further certify that no contracts have been awarded, funds committed or construction begun on the proposed project, and that none will be prior to issuance of official authorization to proceed by the Lexington County Community Development Block Grant Program staff. I further certify that I am authorized to submit this application and have followed all policies and procedures of my agency regarding grant application submissions.</p>	
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Melisha Shumpert	
Name of Authorized Official	
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Town Administrator	
Title	
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