



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

ADMINISTRATION

2027 Request for Proposal (RFP) Frequently Asked Questions

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1) Is this funding for additional work in 2026 or for 2027 activity?

2027 funding and activity.

2) Is an application required for all 2027 funding requests for community-based organization initiatives, including those noted as “recommended Request for Proposal” (see slide 11 of the [2027 Funding Allocation Plan](#)) and those that do not require a Request for Proposal?

Yes, all organizations must submit an application for any funding request if they wish to receive funding in 2027, regardless of whether the funding type is noted as “recommended Request for Proposal” (as denoted by the assigned asterisks on the Funding Allocation Plan).

3) Can an organization submit an application in-person to the Community Development Grants Administration (CDGA) office?

No, all applications must be submitted via the Neighborly Portal – found at the below link (also visit the [CDGA webpage](#) for full Neighborly Portal access and RFP instructions):
<https://portal.neighborlysoftware.com/CITYOFMILWAUKEE/Participant>

4) When is the deadline to submit an application?

Applications must be fully submitted via the Neighborly portal by 4pm Central Time (CT), Friday, August 21st.

5) When is the deadline to submit questions regarding the application process?

Questions must be submitted to cdgareports@milwaukee.gov with the subject line “2027 RFP Question” by 4pm CT Tuesday, August 18th.

6) Are separate applications required if my organization wishes to apply for multiple activities and initiative categories?

Yes, separate applications are required for each proposed activity. Please note the funding application categories upon initial entry into the Neighborly Portal.

- 7) What are the requirements regarding board of director membership in order to be eligible to receive funding through your office?**

CDGA strongly recommends organizational board membership reflect the demography of the neighborhoods and populations they seek to serve. Moreover, if funded and depending on the activity, organizations may be required to certify as either a [Community Based Development Organization](#) (CBDO) or a [Community Housing Development Organization](#) (CHDO).

- 8) An organization's physical address is planning to change in 2027. Should it utilize the current address or future address?**

Utilize your organization's current address in the application.

- 9) For currently funded organizations, how should the accomplishment section of the application be completed?**

Provide a summary of 2025 activity (including key successes and challenges) as well as a year-to-date summary of 2026 activity.

- 10) For an organization seeking to apply under the initiative category of "Drivers Licenses Recovery/Employment Project", what is the appropriate Neighborly Application category to utilize?**

Utilize the "General Services – CDBG Funds" category. Within the Program Design (Section C) of the application, utilize the drop-down menu to select "Drivers License Recovery".

- 11) In looking at the attached RFP materials document, it says, "The City of Milwaukee will award funding only for emergency shelter project proposals that provide a letter of support from the CoC, based on the emergency shelter provider committing to a CoC-recommended shelter intake process." Is this letter to be submitted during the contract documents processing period after awards have been announced? Or, is it required as part of the application process? If so, Neighborly doesn't have an upload link for it, and so how would we go about submitting this letter?**

The ESG Program Activity Information guide has been updated to reflect that the CoC Support Letter requirement will not be necessary until after the notice of award has been issued to the organization.