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CDBG Coalition Releases CDBG Report

Washington, DC - The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Coalition announced its latest report today highlighting the CDBG program's significant role in local-led projects and services. The report, ***CDBG: Strengthening Communities***, offers an overview of how CDBG invests in local activities that support communities. The publication's release coincides with National Community Development Week, April 21-25, 2025, which celebrates CDBG's support of people and places nationwide.

The report details how CDBG promotes activities responsive to specific local needs. Key information shared includes how CDBG works, why it matters to local-based developments, and types of activities supported by program dollars. Administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), CDBG resources are available to every state and congressional district. Nearly 1,250 state and local governments and their program partners use CDBG funding to support public infrastructure projects, affordable housing preservation and production, economic development initiatives, and a broad range of public service programming.

While meaningful to communities nationwide, CDBG has experienced major cuts over time. Annual funding has declined substantially in recent decades with the program's latest appropriated level - \$3.3 billion - \$150 million less than FY21 and far less than its highest mark of \$4.5 billion in FY95. Local grantees report receiving more CDBG funding requests than they can accommodate. The cost of labor and materials related to the program's two major activities, infrastructure and housing, has increased. And, with rising inflation and housing costs, more people need CDBG assistance.

The CDBG Coalition consists of [33 national organizations](#) which recognize the importance of the CDBG program in empowering and transforming people and places. The organizations represent elected officials, state and local government agencies, non-profit organizations, and advocates. The Coalition calls on Congress to provide robust funding - at least \$4.2 billion - for the program in FY26.