

CDBG-PF Cheat Sheet

Public facilities and improvements reference document can be found [HERE](#)

Eligible Public Facilities and Improvement Activities

- Permanent improvements to repair publicly owned utilities such as sewer and water facilities
- Streets, sidewalks, parks, playgrounds
- Acquisition of land or buildings (includes long term leases, 15 years or more)
- Construction/reconstruction/rehabilitation/installation

Ineligible Activities

- Maintenance and repair of public facilities and improvements. (Filling potholes, repairing cracks in sidewalks, mowing grass, etc.)
- Operating costs associated with public facilities
- Purchase of construction equipment
- Construction of new housing

National Objective Requirements

Activities must meet one of the three national objectives to qualify for funding. 1.) Benefit low and moderate income persons, 2.) Prevent or eliminate slums or blight, 3.) Meet an urgent need

Davis Bacon Labor Standards apply to any construction project over \$2,000. DBLS guide is [HERE](#).

Construction Procurement

Private non-profit sub-recipients must follow [federal procurement rules](#) for purchasing services or materials. Public entities must follow the City's guidelines. The four methods of procurement are:

- *Small purchases*: allows recipients to acquire goods and services without a formal RFP
- *Sealed bids*: used for all construction contracts over \$100K, formal advertising required
- *Competitive proposals*: used for purchasing services in excess of \$100K, publish a formal RFP
- *Non-competitive proposals*: applies when 1.) An item is only available from a single source, 2.) Public emergency or urgency will not permit time needed to procure via other methods, 3.) After solicitation of a number of sources, competition is determined inadequate.

Contract Requirements

Projects must clear the environmental review process and project owners must attend the preconstruction meeting prior to the start of the project. Mortgage liens are required for any project over \$20K. A 10 year restriction period applies. Monitoring of grant activities by the City is required to ensure compliance with Federal Regulations.

Build America Buy America

Build America, Buy America Act (BABA) also known as the "Buy America Preference" (BAP), applies to all public facilities and improvement projects. This act requires all building materials to be produced in the United States. Steel/iron effective 2022, lumber/composite building materials effective 2023, [BABA Guide](#)