



October 15, 2020

Upcoming Events and Grant Deadlines

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Grant Administration Dates

October 28, 2020	Housing Assistance Grant Program Application Submission Deadline
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OCD Meetings and Training Events

No new events	
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Other Training and Professional Development Events

October 15, 2020	Effective Diversion: A Key Strategy for Ending Homelessness
October 15, 2020	Telehealth Considerations and Strategies for Special and Vulnerable Populations
October 19-22, 2020	Ohio Healthy Homes Network Fall Healthy Homes Webinar Series
October 27, 2020	Uniform Relocation Assistance Virtual Training
October 28-29, 2020	OCCD Virtual Fall Meeting
November 10, 2020	Eviction Prevention

New and Updated TA Site Items

COVID-19 Items

- [PY 2020 Targets of Opportunity CARES Act \(CDBG-CV\) Application Checklist](#) *(updated)*
- [PY 2020 Targets of Opportunity CARES Act \(CDBG-CV\) Pre-Application](#) *(updated)*
- [Policy Notice 20-05: CDBG-CV Duplication of Benefits Policy and Procedures](#)

Other Items

- [Policy Notice 19-06: Using Community Development Block Grant Funds for Public Services and Facilities](#) *(updated)*
- [Policy Notice 20-04: Use of Subrecipients for Public Services Activities](#)

OCD Information

Active OCEAN users receive the OCD Weekly Digest. OCD does not maintain a separate mailing list. If you are an active OCEAN user and not receiving the Digest, please check with your administrator and make ocd@development.ohio.gov a safe sender. Also, check your OCEAN profile and ensure your email address is correct. Click [here](#) for the Quick Reference Guide to update your information.

Remember to use Internet Explorer when using OCEAN. If you need assistance navigating OCEAN, **do not submit a ticket to the OCEAN Help Desk**. Email your program representative with the grant number and screen shots of the issue.

OCD Encourages Electronic Communication

As part of an ongoing effort to move to paperless operations, we encourage grantees to send all correspondence via email to your program representative or ocd@development.ohio.gov and copy your program representative. Since the physical office is closed to employees, items mailed to our physical address will not be received in a timely manner. If you have any questions, please contact your [program representative](#).

COVID-19 Administrative Updates

New Program Policy Notice for Duplication of Benefits

New program policy notices are available on the TA site. Policy Notice 20-05, *CDBG-CV Duplication of Benefits Policy and Procedures* outlines procedures to ensure people or entities receiving assistance as a result of COVID-19 do not receive them from multiple sources for the same purpose, and the total assistance does not exceed total need. To access the OCD Program Policy Notices, click [here](#).

Target of Opportunity CARES Act Application Documents Now Live

The application documents for the PY 2020 Target of Opportunity CARES Act Program (CDBG-CV) is now available on the TA site. To view the application checklist and list of attachments click [here](#). Interested applicants can access the pre-application for the Target of Opportunity CDBG-CV Program funding by clicking [here](#) for the pre-application and [here](#) for a running list of questions and answers. Pre-applications should be emailed to ocd@development.ohio.gov.

Environmental Review Process

Until further notice, grantees must submit environmental review Request for Release of Funds and/or Certification documentation via email to ocd@development.ohio.gov. Grantees may view and download Project-Specific Release of Environmental Conditions documents in OCEAN. OCD will not mail hard copies of these documents. Please email Cecilia Castillo at Cecilia.Castillo@development.ohio.gov or Tim Allen at TimothyM.Allen@development.ohio.gov if you have any questions regarding the environmental review process.

Grant Administration Updates

New Program Policy Notice for Subrecipients for Public Service Activities

New program policy notices are available on the TA site. Policy Notice 20-04, *Use of Subrecipients for Public Services Activities*, includes information on exceptions to OCD's prohibition for subrecipient relationships. This applies to CDBG-funded Public Services activities only. To access the OCD Program Policy Notices, click [here](#).

PY 2020 Housing Assistance Grant Program Application Due in Two Weeks

The PY 2020 Housing Assistance Grant Program application documents are now available on the TA site. The application will open on September 9, 2020 and is due **Wednesday, October 28, 2020, by 11:59 p.m.** Application documents and training are available on the TA site [here](#).

Lead Accreditation Training Grant Program

Development, in partnership with the Ohio Department of Health, created the Lead Accreditation Training Grant Program to provide funding for lead workforce development and training

activities. The program will subsidize costs for initial and refresher lead trainings. For a list of eligible courses, applicant eligibility and regional lead training providers, click [here](#).

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Sharing Successes on Development's Social Media Feeds

We're always looking for ways to share your successes in the community. If your community or organization shares projects using Development grant funds on social media, we encourage you to tag Development at @ohiodevelopment or use the hashtags #partnership, #communitydevelopment, #housing, #affordablehousing, and #safehomes. Want to follow Development? Check out our [Facebook page](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) feeds, [YouTube channel](#) and [Flickr photo stream](#).

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