

Office of Community Development

WEEKLY DIGEST



What's New

April 21, 2022

- The period to submit public comments for the HOME-ARPA Allocation Plan ends May 2. *Administrative Updates.*

*Our offices are closed on the weekend. If you think you'll need to access OCEAN during that time, make sure you can log in by **12 p.m. Friday.***

*For password resets, email ocd@development.ohio.gov. **DO NOT submit a ticket to the OCEAN Help Desk.***

Upcoming Events & Grant Deadlines

OCD Grant and Application Deadlines

June 15, 2022	CDBG Community Development Program Applications Due
June 22, 2022	CHIP Program Applications Due

Other Training and Professional Development Events

April 27, 2022	OCCD Spring Meeting
April 28, 2022	PY 2022 CHIP Program Application Training

May 3-12, 2022	Litigating Fair Housing Cases
May 4, 2022	Mental Health 101: Overview of Mental Health Issues in the Modern World Access code: 4670871#
May 10-11, 2022	OCCD Fair Housing Training
May 11, 2022	988 is Not a Joke – National Suicide Prevention Hotline Launch Access code: 8477433#
May 18, 2022	Get Help: Reducing Stigma Associated with Mental Health Access code: 5955873#
May 25, 2022	Now What? Mental Health Issues in Post-COVID America Access code: 6268721#
May 23-26, 2022	Basics of Fair Housing
June 6-9, 2022	Fundamentals of Fair Housing - Intake

Virtual Trainings

[Avoid Compliance Pitfalls with SS Income](#)

[Basically CDBG Online](#)

[Tiny Chat: Fair Housing](#)

[URA the HUD Way](#)

Administrative Updates

Street Outreach Program Grant Funding Available through HHS

The Street Outreach Program (SOP) provides street-based services to runaway, homeless, and street youth who have been subjected to or are at risk of being subjected to sexual abuse, prostitution, sexual exploitation, and severe forms of human trafficking in persons. These services, targeted in areas where street youth congregate, are designed to assist such youth in making healthy choices and providing them access to shelter as well as basic needs, including food, hygiene packages and information on a range of available services. Applications are due by May 19. [View more information and apply.](#)

Amended HOME-ARPA DRAFT Allocation Plan and Memo Posted

OCD has released an amended DRAFT HOME-ARPA Allocation Plan, as well as an amended memo, providing information on the next round of public comment. To submit a comment for the record, please [visit Development's website here](#).

PY 2022 CHIP Program Application Training

- DRAFT PY 2022 CHIP Application Posted

To assist with the planning process, OCD has posted the [DRAFT of the CHIP Application for PY 2022 on our TA site](#). The Application Alternative Form for Option of Past Performance Expunged has also been posted for use as well. Please keep in mind, this is the DRAFT of the application and is only provided for planning purposes. The final version of the application will be posted soon.

- PY 2022 CHIP Program Application Training will be held virtually on Thursday, April 28, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. A draft version of the application will be posted prior to the training.

Attendees can [register prior to the event here](#). Attendees can join via phone by dialing 408-418-9388 Access code: 2331 231 5150

Overview of Procurement Requirements for Federally Funded OCD Programs

OCD issued [Program Policy 21-03](#) effective July 1, 2021. Changes to the policy can impact how grantees procure administrators for federally funded OCD Programs. An overview of the updates from OCD Program Policy 20-02 are as follows:

- Cooperative Purchasing section (added ORC 9.48 item);
- Interagency Agreement section (does not allow for non-competitive procurement of a Community Action Agency, Community Improvement Corporation, or Economic Development Corporation); and
- The Section 3 section (updated to reflect new HUD rule).

If you have questions regarding the policy, please contact your [Program Representative](#).

Residential Revitalization Housing Representative Service Area Map Updated

The Office of Community Development has updated its Housing Program Service Area Map to include new staff members. The map includes county information regarding their residential revitalization housing program representative, and [can be found here](#).

Community Development Program Allocations

Program Year 2022 Community Development allocations are live on the TA site. Please visit [the webpage](#) for more information or contact your program representative.

Important Information for CHIP Program Grantees

Many CHIP Program Grantees are out of compliance with OCD Program Policy 18-02. After drawing all funds for a project site address, grantees must ensure that site address is in *Complete* status in OCEAN. All grantees should immediately review their address status and complete any addresses out of compliance. Please see [OCD Program Policy 18-02](#) for more information.

Community Housing Impact and Preservation (CHIP) Program Applications Due

Applications for the PY 2022 CHIP program are due on Wednesday, June 22, 2022. The instructions for required planning process and documents have been posted to [the website here](#).

Available Funding

[Street Outreach Program Grant through HHS](#)

[Ohio Nonprofit Hospitals & Schools Energy Efficiency Grant](#)

[Community Development Block Grant Funds](#)

[PY 2022 Community Development Programs](#)

[Emergency Solutions Grant CARES Act \(ESG-CV\) Funding](#)

[Coronavirus Relief Fund Local Government Assistance Program](#)

OCD Partner Information

Brownfield Remediation Program Round 2 Applications Open for Eligible Counties.

The [Brownfield Remediation Program](#) provides grants for the remediation of brownfield sites throughout Ohio. Round 2 funding is only available for counties who did not meet their \$1 million county set-aside in Round 1.

Eligible counties and remaining set-asides can be found on development.ohio.gov/brownfield. Round 2 applications close **April 30**. Program guidelines and frequently asked questions can be

found on the program website. Additional questions can be sent to redvelopment@development.ohio.gov.

Administrative Items

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 if you have any questions regarding the environmental review process.

OCD Weekly Digest Delivery

Active OCEAN users automatically receive the OCD Weekly Digest.

Please add OhioDepartmentofDevelopment@public.govdelivery.com to your contacts or Safe Sender List to ensure continued delivery of the Weekly Digest. If you have issues receiving the digest, please check you clutter and spam folders.

If you would like to sign up to receive the Digest directly, you can [sign up here](#). If you are currently an active OCEAN User, you do not need to complete the form. You will continue to receive the weekly email.

OCEAN Help

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.



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