

As an applicant or grantee under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, please submit a report on the following statements to the Department to address the slums/blight national objective.

CDBG National Objective Checklist Statement

Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight on an area basis:

"Slums" has the same meaning as substandard areas as defined in Section 18-2103(10) Neb. R.R.S. "Blight" has the same meaning as blighted areas as defined in Section 18-2103(11) Neb. R.R.S.

Area is designated by official action of the local government as substandard or blighted in accordance with the applicable state statute.

(1) Has area been officially designated as Slum or Blighted by local government? Yes or No
If Yes. Submit copy official action taken by local government, such as adoption resolution. Submit description of the area designated in accordance with NE Community Development law.
If No. Describe further how area not designated meets the definitions as listed in the NE Community Development law.

Documentation is provided and maintained by the recipient on the boundaries of the area and the conditions, which qualified the area at the time of its designation.

(2) Submit a local government map, such as a municipal plat or block map with street names, which outline the boundaries of the designated blight/substandard area. Provide a boundary description of the designated area. State the designation year for the area.

List the conditions used to qualify the area at date of designation in accordance with the Community Development Law.

There are at least 25% of the properties throughout the area, which experience one or more of the following: (a) Physical deterioration of buildings or improvements; abandonment of properties; chronic high occupancy turnover rates or chronic high vacancy rates in commercial or industrial buildings; significant declines in property values or abnormally low property values relative to other areas in the community; or known or suspected environmental contamination. OR (b) Public improvements throughout the area are in a general state of deterioration.

(3) Submit a list of number of properties and percentage of properties located in the designated blighted/substandard area, which meet one or more of the following conditions and identify the conditions met for each property. State the definitions used to determine what is deteriorated or deteriorating.

Physical deterioration of buildings or improvements; abandoned properties; commercial or industrial buildings with either chronic high occupancy turnover rates or high vacancy rates; property with significant declines in property values or abnormally low property values in comparison to other areas of the community; properties with known or suspected environmental contamination located in the blighted/substandard designated area.

(4) Submit a listing of all public improvements located in the designated blighted/substandard area. Provide the state of deterioration for each listed public improvement and the standard/determination for identifying the public improvement as deteriorating.

The assisted activity is designed to address one or more of the conditions, which contributed to the deterioration of the area.

(5) Describe how the activity for CDBG assistance meets the prevention/elimination of the identified deteriorating conditions of the blighted/substandard area

Activities to be assisted with CDBG funds must be limited to those that address one or more of the conditions that contributed to the deterioration of the area.

(6) State how the CDBG assisted activity addresses condition(s) that contribute to the deterioration of the blight/substandard area. Describe how the CDBG assisted activity improves identified deteriorated conditions. (The CDBG assisted improvements undertaken must match the conditions that contribute to the stated deterioration or decline of the substandard/blighted area.)

The designation of an area as slum or blighted under this section is required to be redetermined every 10 years for continued qualification.

(7) Submit a copy of the original official action designating the area as blighted. If it has been greater than 10 years since the original official action designating the area, submit an official record documenting the redesignation of the area and the date. Document improvements undertaken in the designated area prior to the most recent redesignation.

Submit the report to the attention of your program representative or the CDBG Program Manager.
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An activity must be designed to eliminate specific conditions of blight or physical decay not located in a designated slum or blighted area.

(1) Submit a local government map, such as a municipal plat or block map with street names, which delineates the location of the building or other improvement activity.

The project is limited to one of the following activities: acquisition, clearance, relocation, historic preservation, or rehabilitation of buildings.

(2) List the activity the project is undertaking, describe the substandard conditions, and provide a description of the improvements.

The project activity can only eliminate specific conditions detrimental to public health and safety.

(3) Submit a description for each activity improvement, including all budgeted items, and identify and document how it eliminates public health and safety conditions.

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