



HOUSING & REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITIES
OF CUMBERLAND COUNTY

Better Places, Better Lives

CHECKLIST FOR ON-SITE MONITORING CDBG PROGRAM

Subrecipient: _____

Project Name/Agreement #: _____

Project Director: _____

In-house review and general oversight conducted on: _____

On-site monitoring visit(s) conducted on: _____

Monitoring letter sent on: _____

Follow-up monitoring visit conducted/letter sent on: _____

A. National Objective and Eligibility

1. Which National Objective does this project meet (24 CFR 570.208)?

Benefit to Low- and Moderate-Income Persons

___Low/Mod Area Benefit

___Limited Clientele Benefit

___Low/Mod Housing Benefit

___Job Creation or Retention

Aid in the Prevention or Elimination of Slums or Blight

___on an Area Basis

___on a Spot Basis

An Urgent Need

___Needs having a Particular Urgency

2. Which eligibility category does the project meet? (24 CFR 570.201-6)?

B. Conformance to the Subrecipient Agreement

1. Contract Scope of Services: Is the full scope of services listed in the Agreement being undertaken? List any deviation.

2. Levels of Accomplishments: Compare actual accomplishments at the point of monitoring with planned accomplishments. Is the project achieving the expected levels of performance (number of persons served, number of units rehabilitated,

etc.) and reaching the intended client group? Explain any problem the subrecipient may be experiencing. **Acknowledge major accomplishments.**

3. Time of Performance: Is the work being performed in a timely manner (i.e., meeting the schedule as shown in the Agreement)? Explain.
4. Budget: Compare actual expenditures versus planned expenditures. Note any discrepancies or possible deviations.
5. Requests for Payment: Are requests for payment being submitted in a timely manner and are they consistent with the level of work accomplished? Is program income properly accounted for and recorded? Explain.
6. Progress Reports: Have progress reports been submitted with payment requests (where required) on time and were they complete and accurate?
7. Special Conditions: Does the project conform to any special terms and conditions included in the Subrecipient Agreement? Explain.

C. Record-Keeping Systems (24 CFR 570.506)

Records should demonstrate that each activity undertaken meets the criteria for National Objectives compliance. Such records should be found in both the grantee's project file and the subrecipient file.

1. Filing System: Are the subrecipient's files orderly, comprehensive, secured for confidentiality where necessary, and up to date? Note any areas of deficiency.
2. Documentation (activities, costs, and beneficiaries): Do the Housing and Community Development project files and subrecipient records have the necessary documentation supporting the National Objective being met, eligibility, and program costs as they relate to 24 CFR 570.506? Do the project files support the data the subrecipient has provided for the CAPER?
3. Record Retention: Is there a process for determining which records need to be retained and for how long?
4. Site Visit (where applicable): Is the information revealed by a site visit consistent with the records maintained by the subrecipient and with data previously provided to the grantee? Explain any discrepancies.
 - a. Is the project manager located on-site and running the day-to-day operations? Do the staff seem fully informed about program requirements and project expectations? Explain.

- b. Is the project accomplishing what it was designed to do? Explain any problems.

D. Financial Management Systems (2 CFR Part 200)

1. Systems for Internal Control: Are systems in compliance with accounting policies and procedures for cash, real and personal property, equipment, and other assets (2 CFR Part 200.)?
2. Components of a Financial Management System: Review the chart of accounts, journals, ledgers, reconciliation, data processing, and reporting system. Note any discrepancies.
3. Accounting: Compare the latest performance report, drawdown requests, bank records, payroll records, receipts/disbursements, etc. Note any discrepancies.
4. Eligible, Allocable, and Reasonable Costs: See 2 CFR Part 200. Pay particular attention to the time distribution records where the subrecipient has employees who work on both CDBG and non-CDBG funded activities. Note any discrepancies.
5. Cash Management/Drawdown Procedures: See 2 CFR Part 200. Has all cash been promptly drawn down and deposited? Are all drawdowns of Federal funds properly recorded? Note any discrepancies.
6. Management of Program Income: If the subrecipient generates program income, refer to 24 CFR 570.504 and the Subrecipient Agreement about its use. Note any discrepancies.
7. IPA Audit Reports/Follow-up: (2 CFR Part 200) Determine if the subrecipient has expended \$750,000 or more in Federal funds for the subject program year.

IPA Audit Required: Yes___ No___ N/A___

Date Conducted: _____

Any findings related to CDBG activity? Status? Explain.

8. Maintenance of Source Documentation: (2 CFR 200) Note any discrepancies in sample records, invoices, vouchers, and time records traced through the system.
9. Budget Control: Do actual expenditures match the line item budget? Refer to 2 CFR 200. Note any discrepancies.

E. Insurance

1. Has the subrecipient submitted a current copy of its Certificate of Insurance?
2. Is the City named as an additional insured?

F. Procurement

1. Procurement Procedures: Do the procedures the subrecipient uses for procurement of goods and services meet CDBG requirements? Review a sample number of procurements.
2. Conflict of Interest: How does the subrecipient assure there was no conflict of interest, real or apparent? Review the process and comment.

G. Equipment and Real Property

2. Has the subrecipient acquired or improved any property it owns in whole or in part with CDBG funds in excess of \$25,000? If yes, review for compliance with 2 CFR 200.313.
3. Has the subrecipient purchased equipment with CDBG funds? Does the subrecipient maintain the records required at 2 CFR Part 200?
4. Has a physical inventory taken place and the results reconciled with property records within the last two years?
5. If the subrecipient disposed of equipment/property that was purchased with Federal funds within the last five years:
 - a. Were proceeds from the sale reported as program income?
 - b. Did the grantee approve expenditure of program income?
 - c. Was the program income returned to the grantee?

H. Non-Discrimination and Actions to Further Fair Housing

1. Equal Employment Opportunity: Refer to 24 CFR 570.506, 601, and 602. Note any deficiencies.
2. Section 3: Opportunities for Training and Employment for Local Residents – Refer to 24 CFR 570.506(g)(5) and 24 CFR 570.607(a) (affirmative action). Note any deficiencies.

3. Fair Housing Compliance: Refer to 24 CFR 570.904 and 24 CFR 570.601(b). Note any deficiencies.
4. Requirements for Disabled Persons: Refer to 8.6. Note any concerns.
5. Women and Minority Business Enterprises: Refer to 24 CFR 570.506(g) and 2 CFR Part 200, affirmative steps documentation. Note any concerns.

I. Conclusion and Follow-up

1. Is the subrecipient meeting the terms of the Subrecipient Agreement and HUD regulations? Discuss both positive conclusions and any weaknesses identified.
2. Identify any follow-up measures to be taken by the grantee and/or the subrecipient as a result of this monitoring review.
 - a. List the required schedule for implementing corrective actions or making improvements.
 - b. List the schedule for any needed technical assistance or training and identify who will provide the training.

Project Monitor

Date