

4300.0100 DEFINITIONS.

Subpart 1. **Scope.** As used in this chapter, the following terms have the meanings given them.

Subp. 2. **Application year.** "Application year" means the state fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending June 30.

Subp. 2a. [Renumbered subp. 3a]

Subp. 2b. **Business and community development application.** "Business and community development application" means the official consolidated application form as developed by the Department of Employment and Economic Development to be used to apply for funding assistance from various assistance programs administered by the Business and Community Development Division.

Subp. 3. **Business and community development need.** "Business and community development need" means a demonstrated deficiency in housing stock, public facilities, economic development opportunities consistent with part 4300.1901, or other services which are necessary for developing or maintaining viable communities.

Subp. 3a. **Commissioner.** "Commissioner" means the commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development.

Subp. 4. **Competitive grant.** "Competitive grant" means a grant application that is evaluated and ranked in comparison to other applications in the same grant category and includes housing, public facilities, and comprehensive applications.

Subp. 5. **Comprehensive program.** "Comprehensive program" means a combination of at least two interrelated projects which are designed to address community development needs which by their nature require a coordination of housing, public facilities, or economic development activities. A comprehensive program must be designed to benefit a defined geographic area, otherwise known as a program area.

Subp. 5a. **Division.** "Division" means the Business and Community Development Division in the Department of Employment and Economic Development to which the program is assigned.

Subp. 5b. **Economic development grant.** "Economic development grant" means an agreement between the state and an eligible recipient through which the state provides money to carry out specified programs, services, or activities designed to create new employment, maintain existing employment, increase the local tax base, or otherwise increase economic activity in a community.

Subp. 6. **Economic development project.** "Economic development project" means one or more activities designed to create new employment, maintain existing employment, increase the local tax base, or otherwise increase economic activity in a community.

Subp. 7. **Eligible activities.** "Eligible activities" means those activities so designated in United States Code, title 42, section 5305 (1981) and as described in Code of Federal Regulations, title 24, sections 570.200 to 570.207 (1981).

Subp. 8. **General purpose local government.** "General purpose local government" means townships as described in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 365; cities as described in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 410 and 412; and counties.

Subp. 9. **Grant.** "Grant" means an agreement between the state and an eligible recipient through which the state provides funds to carry out specified programs, services, or activities.

Subp. 10. **Grant close out.** "Grant close out" means the process by which the division determines that all applicable administrative actions and all required work have been completed by the grant recipient and the department.

Subp. 11. **Grant year.** "Grant year" means any period of time during which the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development makes funds from any federal fiscal year available to the state for distribution to local governments under United States Code, title 42, sections 5301 to 5316 (1981), and includes the period of time during which the division solicits applications and makes grant awards.

Subp. 11a. **Housing and community development needs assessment.** "Housing and community development needs assessment" means an analysis of priority community needs as required by Section 104 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, United States Code, title 42, section 5304(b)(3).

Subp. 12. **Infrastructure.** "Infrastructure" means the basic physical systems, structures, and facilities, such as roads, bridges, water, and sewer, which are necessary to support a community.

Subp. 13. **Low and moderate income.** As it applies to federal sources of funding, "low and moderate income" means income which does not exceed 80 percent of the median income for the area, with adjustments for smaller and larger families. State funds are not limited to or constrained by low and moderate income requirements.

Subp. 14. **Metropolitan city.** "Metropolitan city" means a city over 50,000 population or a central city of a standard metropolitan statistical area that receives entitlement grants under United States Code, title 42, section 5306 (1981) directly from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Subp. 15. **Nonentitlement area.** "Nonentitlement area" means an area that is not a metropolitan city or part of an urban county.

Subp. 16. [Repealed, 14 SR 1098]

Subp. 17. **Per capita assessed valuation.** "Per capita assessed valuation" means the adjusted assessed valuation divided by population.

Subp. 18. [Repealed, 20 SR 2254(NO. 42)]

Subp. 19. **Poverty persons.** "Poverty persons" means individuals or families whose incomes are below the poverty level as determined by the most current data available from the United States Department of Commerce, taking into account variations in cost of living for the area affected.

Subp. 20. **Program.** "Program" means the community development block grant program for nonentitlement areas.

Subp. 21. **Program area.** "Program area" means a defined geographic area within which an applicant has determined that there exists a need for community development activities. A program area may be a neighborhood in a community or an entire community.

Subp. 22. **Program income.** "Program income" means gross income earned by the grant recipient from grant supported activities, excluding interest earned on advances.

Subp. 23. [Repealed, 20 SR 2254(NO. 42)]

Subp. 24. [Repealed, 14 SR 1098]

Subp. 25. **Slums and blight.** "Slums and blight" means areas or neighborhoods which are characterized by conditions used to describe deteriorated areas in Minnesota Statutes, section 462.421, or which are characterized by the conditions used to describe redevelopment districts in Minnesota Statutes, section 273.73, subdivision 10.

Subp. 26. **Single purpose project.** "Single purpose project" means one or more activities designed to meet a specific housing or public facilities community development need within a defined program area.

Subp. 27. **Urban county.** "Urban county" means a county which is located in a metropolitan area and is entitled to receive grants under United States Code, title 42, section 5306 (1981), directly from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

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