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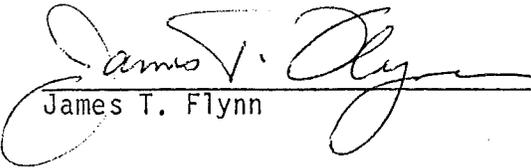
STATE OF WISCONSIN            )  
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DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT )    SS

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

I, James T. Flynn, Secretary of the Department of Development and custodian of the official records of said Department, do hereby certify that the annexed rules relating to the use of Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Funds for emergency assistance to local governments were duly approved and adopted by this Department on March 11, 1985.

I further certify that this copy has been compared by me with the original on file in this Department and that the same is a true copy thereof, and of the whole of such original.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as Secretary of the Department of Development at 123 West Washington Avenue, in the City of Madison, this 11th day of March, 1985.

  
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James T. Flynn

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ORDER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT  
ADOPTING RULES

Relating to the use of small Cities Block Grant Funds for emergency assistance to local governments.

Analysis Prepared by the Department of Development

The Department of Development proposes to establish rules under which up to \$1,000,000 annually of Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Funds may be expended to relieve disaster related conditions.

The Small Cities portion of the Community Development Block Grant program is a grant fund which makes available approximately \$25,000,000 during each federal fiscal year to certain local governments (cities, villages and towns with populations under 50,000 and counties) in Wisconsin on a competitive basis for the purpose of undertaking economic development projects, housing activities and public facilities improvements.

The current administrative rules include an annual housing and public facilities competition for which 57 to 77 percent of the funds are allocated and a continuous economic development competition for which 23 to 43 percent of the funds are allocated. The proposal authorizes the department to expend up to \$1,000,000 annually on emergency grants needed to relieve local disaster related conditions.

The rules provide that a local government will be eligible for a part of the \$1,000,000 (up to \$500,000) which is otherwise eligible for block grant funds and which:

1. Has suffered a major natural disaster or has been included in a federal disaster declaration;
2. Has sustained damage which is beyond its financial capability to repair; and
3. Has provided a match equal to one-third of the block grant funds requested.

Funds are available for activities which are eligible under the annual housing and public works competition and which are related to recovery from the disaster, and for items which are not covered by insurance and which cannot await funding available through the next annual housing and public facilities competition. A local government must make applications within three months of the issuance of the federal disaster declaration applicable to it.

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Department of Development by ss. 560.02 (4) and 560.04 (2)(j), Wis. Stats., the Department of Development hereby adopts rules interpreting s. 560.04 (2)(j), Wis. Stats., as follows:

Subchapter III of Chapter DOD 6 is adopted to read:

CHAPTER DOD 6

Subchapter III

EMERGENCY BLOCK GRANTS

DOD 6.20 Purpose

DOD 6.22 Funding

DOD 6.21 Eligibility

DOD 6.23 Grant Application

DOD 6.24 Allocation

DOD 6.20 PURPOSE. The purpose of this subchapter is to set forth the criteria the department will use to determine how small cities community development block grant funds will be distributed to provide emergency assistance to communities which have experienced natural disasters.

DOD 6.21 ELIGIBILITY. In addition to meeting the provisions of s. DOD 6.02, to be eligible for funding under this subchapter a community must meet the requirements contained in subs. (1) through (3).

(1) The community must have suffered a major natural disaster or have been included in a federal disaster declaration.

(2) The community must have sustained damage which is beyond the financial capability of the local government to repair.

(3) The community must provide a match equal to one-third of the block grant funds requested.

DOD 6.22 FUNDING. (1) The activities which are eligible for funding under this subchapter are the same as those which were eligible under the annual housing and public facilities competition except that they must in addition be related to recovery from the disaster, must be for items which are not covered by insurance and must be unable to await funding available through the next annual housing and public facilities competition.

(2) Grants may be for up to \$500,000.

DOD 6.23 GRANT APPLICATION. (1) A local government interested in applying for an emergency grant must provide the department of development with a written request dated not more than three months after the issuance of the federal disaster declaration applicable to that local government, which includes:

(a) A description of the disaster damage,

(b) Evidence of inclusion in a federal disaster declaration.

(c) A description of the activities the emergency grant will fund,

(d) A budget; and

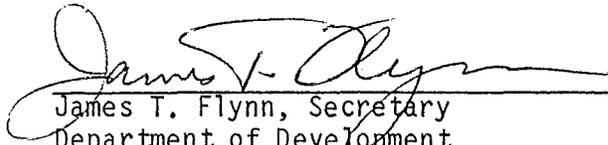
(e) Evidence of the one-third financial match to the emergency block grant funds requested.

DOD 6.24 ALLOCATION. Each calendar year, up to \$1,000,000 of small cities community development block grant funds may be expended by the department of development for emergency block grants.

The rules contained in this order shall take effect as provided in s. 227.026(1) (Intro.), Wis. Stats.

Dated March 11, 1985

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James T. Flynn, Secretary  
Department of Development