

**American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
Program/Funding Summary**

Short title: Community Services Block Grant Program (CSBG)

ARRA Reference: Division A, Title VIII - Department of Labor, Health and Human Services and Related Agencies: Children and Families Services Programs

Funding by federal fiscal year:

Year	Total Florida State Budget Amount	Amounts to Local Governments and/or local providers Passed Through State Agencies	Amounts to Directly to Local Governments	Amounts Directly to Individuals
FFY 2009	\$ 29,060,460	\$ 28,769,855	0	0
FFY 2010				
Later Years				
Total	\$ 29,060,460	\$ 28,769,855	0	0

Funding by state fiscal year:

SFY 2008 – 2009				
SFY 2009 – 2010	\$ 29,060,460	\$ 28,769,855	0	0
Later Years				
Total	\$ 29,060,460	\$ 28,769,855	0	0

Brief description of program or funding including funding distribution method (formula or competitive grant):

The Community Services Block Grant Program, annually provides funds to designated community action agencies, local governments and non-profit agencies to provide assistance to low-income Floridians to become self-sufficient. The program provides a variety of services

designed at the local level to meet specific community needs that can range from self-sufficiency assistance to immediate life necessities such as food, medicine, shelter, etc. These local agencies partner with other service agencies to provide a broader range of services within their communities, therefore the funds not only help the individuals and families, but they help the community as a whole.

The guidance package for the CSBG funds was received on April 14, 2009. Statewide notice of the availability of the draft State CSBG Recovery Act Plan was published in the May 15, 2009, Florida Administrative Weekly. The plan was posted on the DCA website on May 20, 2009. A telephone conference call was conducted with the CSBG eligible entities to review the plan on May 22, 2009. Florida's plan was submitted to HHS on May 29, 2009. No formal approval or denial has been received.

The following provisions are included in the ARRA legislation:

1% of funds to be reserved for local enrollment coordination services.

Allows states to increase income eligibility ceiling up to 200% of federal poverty level (up from current 125%) for period FFYs 2009-2010.

These funds are formula-based and are allocated to the subgrantees based in part on low-income population as identified in the 2000 Census.

When funds are expected to be available: Received grant award April 14, 2009.

How long are funds available: September 30, 2010

Conditions or prerequisites for accessing funds (include matching or MOE requirements):

No state match or MOE requirement in ARRA.

Federal agency: United States Department of Health and Human Services

State agency: Florida Department of Community Affairs

If there is a link to a federal web site that describes the program or funding include here:

www.recovery.gov/files/Initial%20Recovery%20Act%20Implementing%20Guidance.pdf(PDF 546.23KB)

If there is a link to a state web site that describes the program or funding, include here:

www.floridacommunitydevelopment.org/csbg/index.cfm

Existing CSBG Program Information

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