

**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	\$ 29,100,000 *	\$ 29,100,000*	0	0
FFY 2010				
FFY 2011				
Later Years				
Total	\$ 29,100,000	\$ 29,100,000	0	0

Funding by state fiscal year:

SFY 2008 – 2009				
SFY 2009 – 2010	\$ 29,100,000*	\$ 29,100,000*	0	0
SFY 2011 – 2012				
Later Years				
Total	\$ 29,100,000	\$ 29,100,000	0	0

\* Estimated Amount as of 3/9/09. Final HHS allocations to states yet to be determined.

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

ARRA allocates \$1 billion to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) for the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) program. The Community Services Block Grant Program annually provides funds to 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.

To date, the HHS guidance package for the CSBG funds has not been published. However, 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 to 200% of federal poverty level (up from current 125%) for period FFYs 2009-2011.

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

When funds are expected to be available: Unknown at this time.

How long are funds available: Unknown at this time.

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

No state match or MOE requirement in ARRA. It is unknown whether additional conditions or prerequisites will be included in the federal guidelines.

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

[http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/csbg/csbg\\_program.htm](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/csbg/csbg_program.htm)

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

[www.floridacommunitydevelopment.org/csbg/index.cfm](http://www.floridacommunitydevelopment.org/csbg/index.cfm) - Existing CSBG Program Information

[www.flrecovery.com](http://www.flrecovery.com) - Florida stimulus information

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