

WHEREAS, the 2026 public hearing on the use of 2027/2028 Erie County Community Development Block Grant (ECCDBG) program was discussed; and

WHEREAS, all proposed Community Development projects must be ranked in order of priority by the Town, and the Town has additionally been requested to submit a letter of support for Rural Transit Services.

NOW, THEREFORE be it,

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the following resolutions:

- Authorize the Town Supervisor to sign, submit, and execute applications/contracts for the Erie County CDBG program with the following priority:
 - Priority 1.) Any reasonable proposal presented here, before the Town Board, that meets the necessary criteria of a CDBG-funded project and is agreed upon by a majority of the Board's members.
 - Priority 2.) Authorize the Town Supervisor to submit a letter of support for the Rural Transit Service — Van Program.

**TOWN OF ORCHARD PARK
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

Funding History as of October 2026

YEAR	ALLOTMENT	EXPENDED	BALANCE
1976	111,792.00	111,792.00	0.00
1977	111,792.00	111,792.00	0.00
1978	111,792.00	111,792.00	0.00
1979	111,792.00	111,792.00	0.00
1980	111,792.00	111,792.00	0.00
1981	111,792.00	111,792.00	0.00
1982	259,977.59	259,977.59	0.00
1983	58,448.49	58,448.49	0.00
1984	64,499.92	64,499.92	0.00
1985	50,852.00	50,852.00	0.00
1986	20,171.00	20,171.00	0.00
1987	0.00	0.00	0.00
1988	0.00	0.00	0.00
1989	23,357.00	23,357.00	0.00
1990	34,183.00	34,183.00	0.00
1991	90,000.00	90,000.00	0.00
1992	0.00	0.00	0.00
1993	150,630.00	150,630.00	0.00
1994	0.00	0.00	0.00
1995	0.00	0.00	0.00
1996	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00
1997	0.00	0.00	0.00
1998	0.00	0.00	0.00
1999	135,000.00	135,000.00	0.00
2000	0.00	0.00	0.00
2001	0.00	0.00	0.00
2002	190,000.00	190,000.00	0.00
2003	0.00	0.00	0.00
2004	0.00	0.00	0.00
2005	90,000.00	90,000.00	0.00
2006	0.00	0.00	0.00
2007	0.00	0.00	0.00
2008	100,000.00	100,000.00	0.00
2009	0.00	0.00	0.00
2010	0.00	0.00	0.00
2011	200,000.00	200,000.00	0.00
2012	0.00	0.00	0.00
2013	0.00	0.00	0.00
2014	0.00	0.00	0.00
2015	100,000.00	100,000.00	0.00
2016	0.00	0.00	0.00
2017	150,000.00	150,000.00	0.00
2018	78,759.00	78,759.00	0.00
2019	0.00	0.00	0.00
2020	0.00	0.00	0.00
2021	0.00	0.00	0.00
2022	0.00	0.00	0.00
2023	0.00	0.00	0.00
2024	0.00	0.00	0.00
2025	40,746.08	40,746.08	0.00
2026	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL GRANTS	2,547,376.08	2,547,376.08	0.00
1992 LOAN*	100,000.00	100,000.00	0.00
1995 LOAN**	450,000.00	450,000.00	0.00
TOTAL LOANS	550,000.00	550,000.00	0.00
GRAND TOTAL	3,097,376.08	3,097,376.08	0.00

* Loan repaid in 2005 ** Loan repaid in 2006

-Covid funds are excluded from this history sheet.

TOWN OF ORCHARD PARK
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDED PROJECTS
STATUS AS OF 10/5/2026

FUNDING YEAR	PROJECT	ALLOCATED	EXPENDED	BALANCE
1977 - 1980*	Administration	36,861.14	36,861.14	0
1978 - 1981**	Housing Rehabilitation	23,737.00	23,737.00	0
1976	Orchard Meadows Playground	37,264.00	37,264.00	0
1976, 1977	Poplar-Webster Drainage	159,320.00	159,320.00	0
1976, 1977	Union Road Waterline Ext.	11,208.68	11,208.68	0
1977 - 1979	Burmon Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation	6,903.32	6,903.32	0
1978, 1979	Southwestern Blvd. Economic Dev. Waterline	166,852.23	166,852.23	0
1980	Velore Avenue Waterline	12,130.58	12,130.58	0
1980	Burmon Recreation Area	42,767.93	42,767.93	0
1977, 1979 -1983	Velore Avenue Rehabilitation	102,189.12	102,189.12	0
1981, 1982	Quaker Centre Industrial Park Phase 1	350,000.00	350,000.00	0
1985	Zoning Maps	464.05	464.05	0
1982 - 1984	Vistula Avenue Rehabilitation	140,465.67	140,465.67	0
1985	Planning / Construction Maps	867.77	867.77	0
1989	Hillside Income Survey (Hillside Ave. & NIA)	6,000.00	6,000.00	0
1985, 1986, 1989	Hillside Ave. Rehabilitation (Inc. 1st & 2nd St.)	175,209.51	175,209.51	0
1993	Senior Citizens Activity Center	90,630.00	90,630.00	0
1993	Lakeview Ave. Pavement Restoration	60,000.00	60,000.00	0
1996	O.P. Library Handicapped Accessibility	40,000.00	40,000.00	0
1996***	Rural Transit Service Program			
1999	Summit Avenue Reconstruction	90,000.00	90,000.00	0
1999	Boys & Girls Club Handicap Access	45,000.00	45,000.00	0
2002	Windom Ave. Reconstruction	90,000.00	90,000.00	0
2002	Burmon Recreation Area Improvements	40,000.00	40,000.00	0
2002	Senior Citizens Center Repairs	60,000.00	60,000.00	0
2005	Allen Street Reconstruction	90,000.00	90,000.00	0
2008	Oakwood Reconstruction	100,000.00	100,000.00	0
2011	Iroquois Drive Reconstruction	100,000.00	100,000.00	0
2011	Iroquois Drive Drainage	100,000.00	100,000.00 -	0
2015	Burmon Drive Sanitary Sewer Replacement	100,000.00	100,000.00	0
2017	Burmon Drive Road Reconstruction	150,000.00	150,000.00	0
2018	Burmon Drive Sidewalk Reconstruction	78,759.00	78,759.00	0
2021***	Rural Transit Service Program			
2025	Senior Center Updates	40,746.08	40,746.08	0
TOTAL GRANTS		\$2,547,376.08	\$2,547,376.08	\$0.00
1992	Breem Street Relocation (Loan)	100,000.00	100,000.00	0
1995	Orchard Park Commerce Center (Loan)	450,000.00	450,000.00	0
TOTAL LOANS		\$550,000.00	\$550,000.00	\$0.00
GRAND TOTAL		\$3,097,376.08	\$3,097,376.08	\$0.00

*Costs for administration of grant monies were reimbursed to the Town for years 1977-1980, but administration is now done entirely by Erie County.

**The Housing Rehabilitation Program was administered by the Town for years 1978-1981, but now the program is administered directly by Erie County.

***In 1996 the Town began participation in a transportation service with approval of an additional grant for \$34,782 for the purchase of a handicap van. In 2021, the Town approved an additional grant for \$30,000 for the purchase of a new van. These funds and additional funds used for annual operation and maintenance do not accrue to the Town. The program is administered by Erie County through a not for profit agency and therefore the amount of funding is not shown in this table.

-Covid funds are excluded from this project sheet.

2027 - 2028
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM
PUBLIC HEARING

October 21, 2026

The Town of Orchard Park may be eligible to receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the 2027 Program Year. The purpose of this public hearing is to provide an opportunity for citizens to discuss the needs of the community as outlined in the official notice (*page 7*).

The Town is one of 34 municipalities in the Erie County CDBG Consortium. Previously, the Consortium received a grant of approximately \$3.1 million from HUD. The grant is divided into four spending categories: 27% for Community Projects; 27% for Housing; 27% for Economic Development; and 19% for Administration and Planning.

To be eligible for CDBG funding, a proposed project must satisfy one or more of the following national objectives:

- I. - BENEFIT LOW AND MODERATE INCOME PERSONS
- II. - CORRECT SLUMS AND BLIGHT
- III. - MEET AN URGENT COMMUNITY NEED

These objectives are further described below.

I. BENEFIT LOW AND MODERATE INCOME PERSONS

Area Benefit: For a project to benefit low and moderate income persons, it is required that at least 40.34% of the residents of the specific area targeted be at or below the criteria of the Income Eligibility Schedule on *page 4*. Data from the 2020 American Community Survey (ACS) shows that there are 7,024 low and moderate income persons within the Town and 600 in the Village (Total = 7,624). This is nearly double the number of citizens identified by the same metrics in the 2010 U.S. Census.

For a specific area to qualify, an independent income survey must be performed for the targeted area.

Limited Clientele: All elderly, homeless, and handicapped residents are presumed eligible regardless of their location within the Town or their income levels. For a project to be considered under this category, at least 51% of the benefiting persons must be classified as limited clientele.

II. CORRECT SLUMS AND BLIGHT

For an area to be designated as a slum or blighted area, there must be a substantial number of deteriorated or deteriorating buildings or public improvements throughout the area. The project must address one or more of the conditions, which contributed to the deterioration of the area. Currently there are no such areas in the Town of Orchard Park.

III. MEET AN URGENT COMMUNITY NEED

To comply with the objective of meeting an urgent community need, the project must alleviate existing conditions that have developed or become critical within the past 18 months and:

- Pose a serious and immediate threat to the health and welfare of the community;
- The grantee is unable to finance; and
- Other resources of funds are not available.

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- Acquisition of Real Property for a Project
- Public Facilities and Improvements
- Public Services
- Removal of Architectural Barriers
- Historic Preservation
- Commercial or Industrial Rehabilitation
- Special Economic Development
- Program Administration Costs

Page 5 outlines the history of CDBG funding in the Town of Orchard Park. Since its inception in 1976, the Town has received over \$3.0 million in grants and loans under this Federal program. Page 6 lists the various projects for which the Town has utilized its block grant monies.

There is a maximum grant of \$150,000.00 per project with a maximum of two projects funded per municipality. Applications for this year's Community Development Block Grant funds must be submitted by Monday, November 2, 2026.

Some suggested projects in the Town of Orchard Park which may qualify for funding in 2027 include:

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>ESTIMATE</u>
<u>CDBG</u> - Rural Transit Service (participation in the existing program w/ 18 towns, 7 villages)	\$ Cost Varies +/- (no matching funds required)

Last year the Town issued a letter of support for the Rural Transit Service Program. The Town will again submit an application/letter of support for funding to continue our participation in the Rural Transit Service Program.

This program provides van transportation for eligible citizens. Trips can be for any reason but are prioritized for medical and health concerns. As of 2026, Orchard Park had 201 registered users in this program.