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## **Arapahoe County accepting applications for 2007 block grants** ***County will award grants to benefit projects serving low-to-moderate income residents***

**Littleton, Colo.** - Arapahoe County is now accepting applications for funds from its 2007 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

Arapahoe County and the City of Centennial will review applications and award CDBG funds to organizations with proposals that benefit low-to-moderate income citizens. Funding possibilities include, but are not limited to, property acquisition, building improvements, parks and infrastructure, staffing, services and housing.

Earlier this year, Arapahoe County awarded more than \$1 million dollars in CDBG funds for public facilities, services and housing. Award recipients included Colorado Center for the Blind, Families First, Rebuilding Together, House of Hope, Project Angel Heart and Doctors Care. These funds are provided to Arapahoe County from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

"We're thrilled to make these funds available to help recipients improve the quality of life for our local residents," said Jim Taylor, Division Manager of Housing and Community Development Services. "We're excited to see the quality and ingenuity of proposals from worthwhile projects and organizations this year."

### **Application criteria:**

- Applications must be from non-profit and/or government organizations.
- All applications for Arapahoe County CDBG funds must assist low or moderate income residents of Arapahoe County, excluding the City of Aurora; applications for City of Centennial CDBG funds must assist low or moderate income residents of Centennial.
- Applications must be submitted on or before Monday, Oct. 16.
- Funds will become available for winning submissions in June of 2007.

Applicants may pick up forms at 1690 W. Littleton Blvd., 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Littleton, or from 12503 E. Euclid Dr., Suite 200, Centennial, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For further information or to request an application, please contact Signy Mikita at 303-738-8063 or [smikita@co.arapahoe.co.us](mailto:smikita@co.arapahoe.co.us).

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