How Much is Available?

Human Services Grant Funds	\$500,000
Community Development Block Grant Funds (Estimated amount available for Public Services. Final amount to be determined by Congress.)	\$45,000
Total Grant Funds Available	*\$545,000

**\$35,000 = maximum request allowed per program (see following page)

*\$10,000 of this amount may go to the Model Partnership Award

How To Apply

Step 1 - Eligibility

Determine whether the applying program provides services that fulfill all or some of the Human Services Grant program goal:

Financially support services that value diversity, foster self-reliance, treat people with dignity, build self-respect, address issues of safety, and allow people to live free of fear through the provision of food, shelter, physical and mental health care as well as services that prevent crises and assist in sustaining independent living.

If there are questions about whether a project is eligible, or you are unable to submit your pre-application and proposal electronically, please call the Community Partnership Office (CPO) prior to January 29 at 970-962-2517 or 962-2705.

Step 2 - Pre-Apply

Go to: http://tinyurl.com/COLGrants Pre-Applications and attachments are due Thursday, JANUARY 29, 2014 – before midnight.

Late pre-applications or those with missing attachments will not be accepted.

Step 3 - Proposal

Create or login to: http://tinyurl.com/COLGrants Proposals are due Thursday, FEBRUARY 26, 2014 - before midnight.

Late proposals will not be accepted.

Step 4 - Presentation

Make a 20-minute presentation to the Human Services Commission in March or April. Applicants will have fifteen minutes to make a presentation about the grant application, agency, and program. Five minutes will be allotted for questions. The CPO will contact applicants in March to schedule presentation times. The CPO will provide applicants with specific questions to address during the presentation, if applicable.

**More than one application from one agency will be considered for clearly separate programs.

A separate program:

√ Has a unique program budget AND

√ Serves a unique population (separate from other populations served by the agency)
AND/OR

 \checkmark Provides a unique service (clearly different from other services provided by the agency).

Direct Services Only

Grants will be available to fund direct services including, but not limited to:

- case management
- information & referral
- education
- mental health care
- transportation
- emergency shelter

- counseling
- rent assistance
- child care
- physical health care
- food
- advocacy

Direct services **do not include** (and will not be considered for funding):

- building rehabilitation
- purchase of equipment
- agency capacity building

- purchase of vehicles
- endowment funds
- fundraising expenses

CURRENT RECEIPT OF HUMAN SERVICES GRANT FUNDING <u>DOES NOT</u> ENSURE FUTURE FUNDING.

The role of the Human Services Commission is to review and score submitted proposals, attend agency presentations or view presentations via video recordings, and recommend allocations to City Council.

The role of the Community Partnership Office (CPO) is to review pre-applications and determine if grant program guidelines have been met. The CPO is available to answer questions about the process, but will not assist agencies in developing a project or program. The CPO will not preview proposals, but will provide clarification of proposal questions and logistics regarding grant submission and grant presentations. The CPO will monitor grantees and review financial information.