

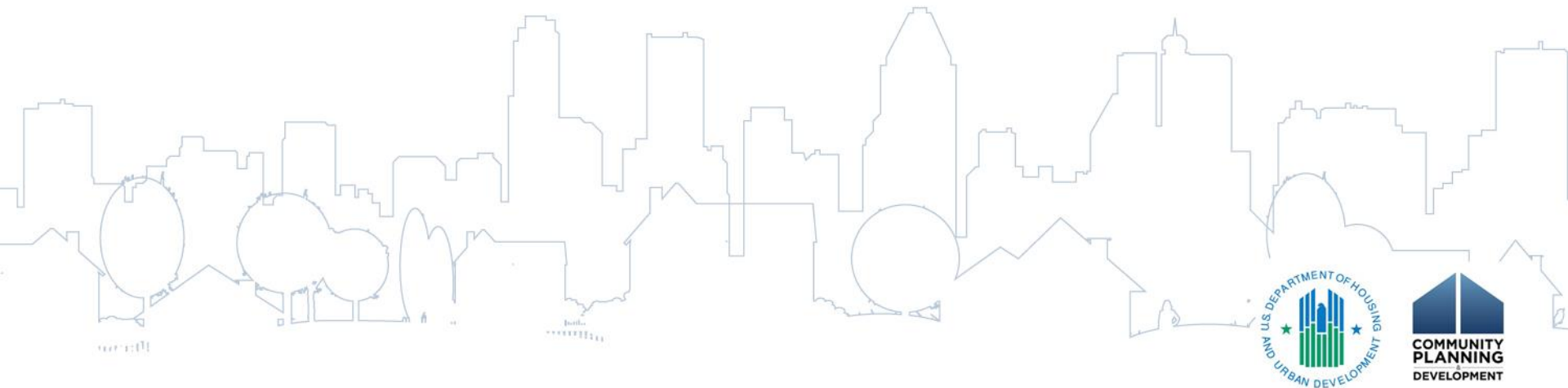
# RURAL GATEWAY PEER-TO-PEER CALL

## Veterans Housing Rehabilitation and Modification Pilot Program Notice of Funding Availability Overview



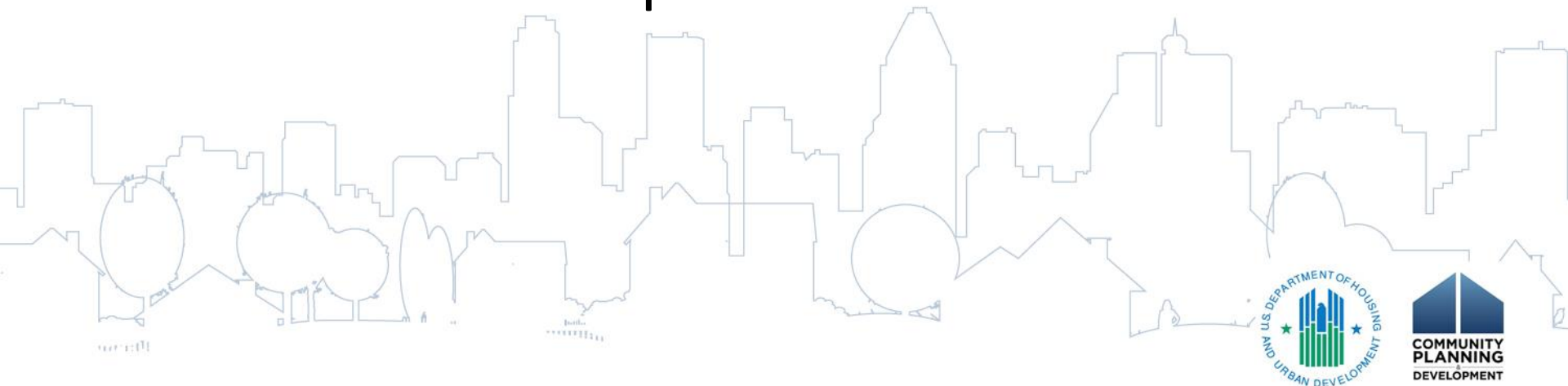
# Purpose

To rehabilitate and modify the primary residence of veterans who are low-income and living with disabilities.



# Funding

- Up to \$13.7 million awarded competitively;
- Approximately 14 awards;
- Minimum Award amounts = \$700 thousand;
- Maximum award amounts = \$1 million;
- 36-month award period.



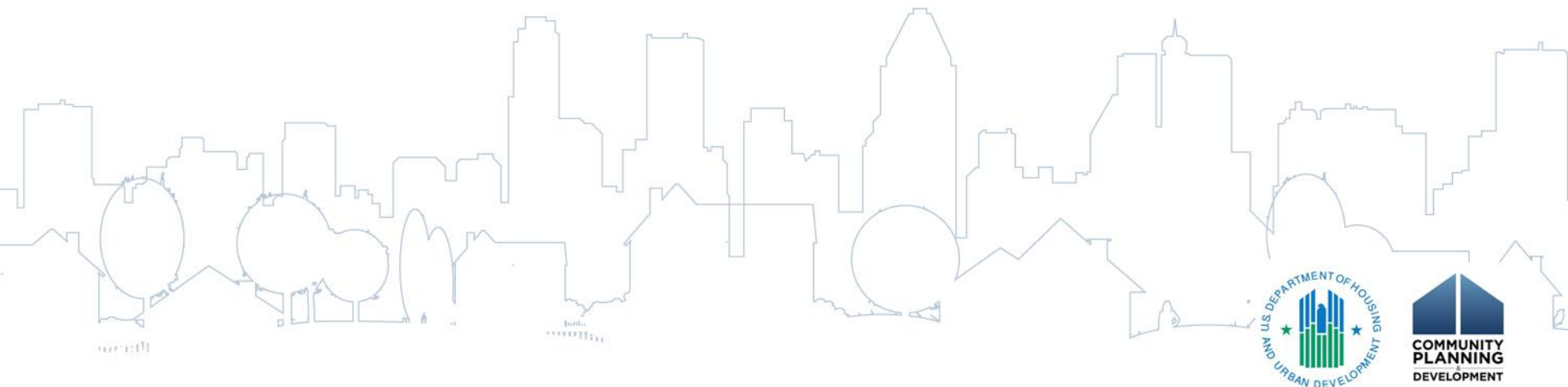
# Eligible Applicants

- Nonprofit organizations that:
  - provide nationwide or statewide programs that primarily serve veterans or low-income individuals;
  - are limited to those described in section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(19) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and are exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code.



# Nationwide and Statewide

- Nationwide – The program's scope of service is throughout the **Country**.
- Statewide – The program's scope of service is throughout a specific **State**.



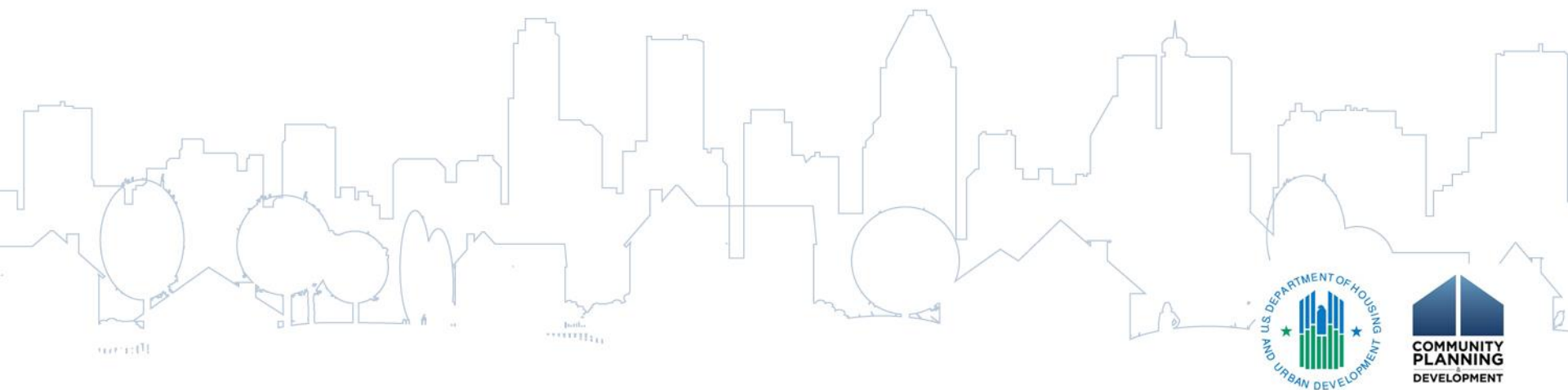
# Eligible Activities

- Modification and rehabilitation of the **primary residence** of an **eligible veteran**, which may include making physical modifications.
- A Combination of activities can be proposed.
- Activities should relate to needs of eligible population.
- Activities should address needs that are not already met by existing programs.
- Provision of technical, administrative, and training support to affiliates.



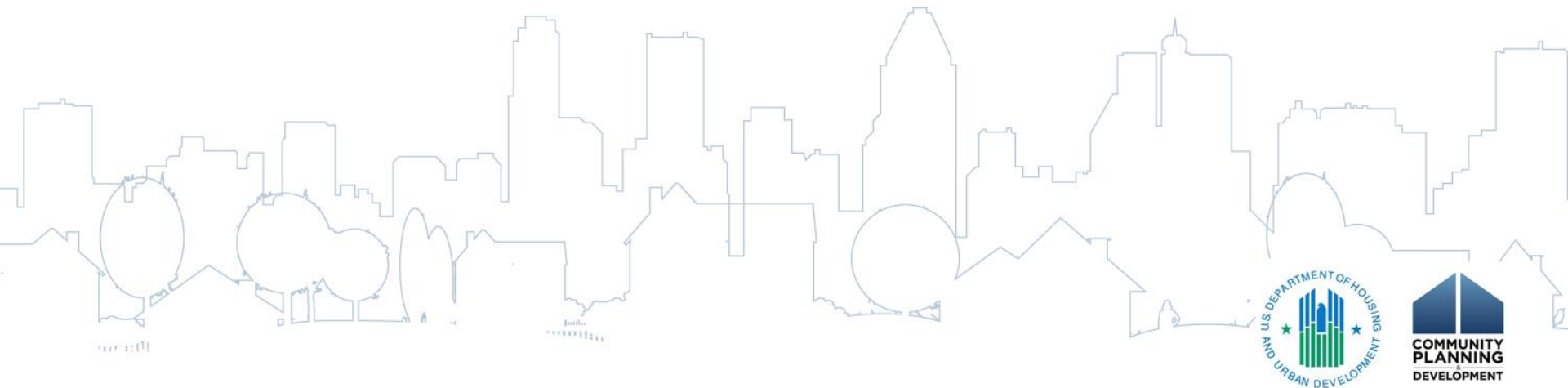
# Important Terms Related to Beneficiaries

- Low-income Veteran
- Primary Residence
- Eligible Veteran



# Low-Income Veteran

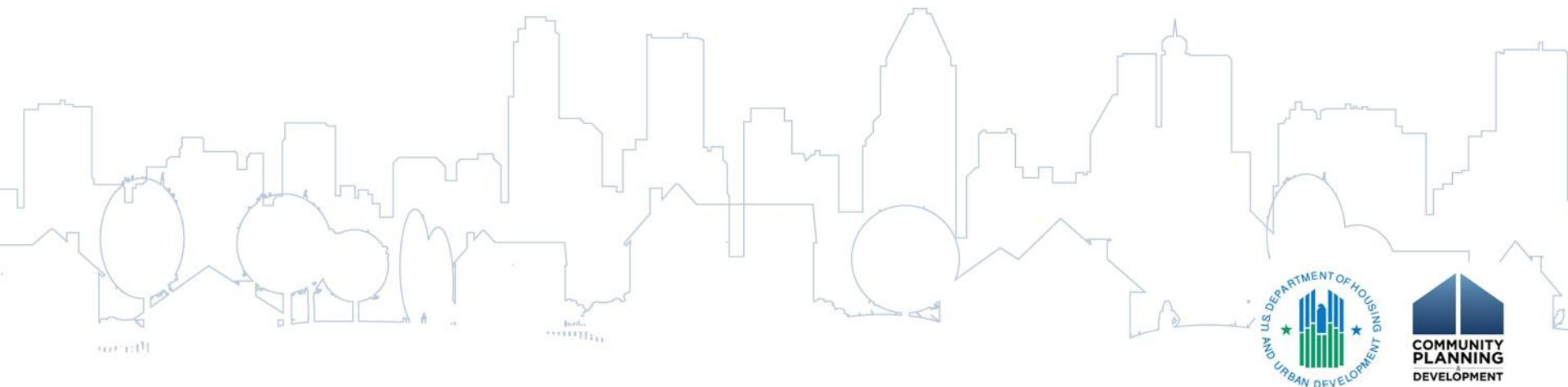
- A veteran whose income does not exceed 80 percent of the median income for an area, as determined by the Secretary of HUD.





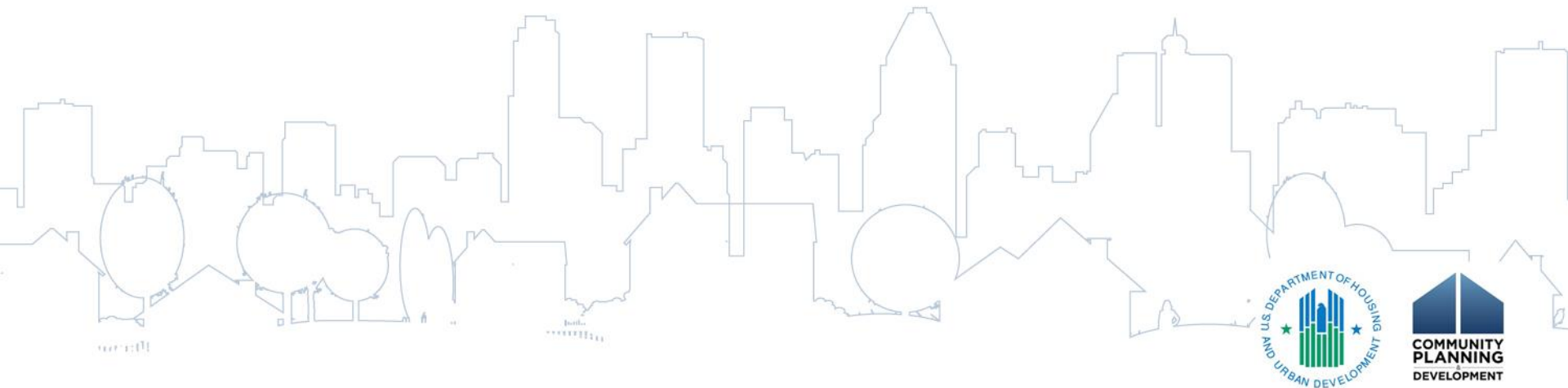
# Primary Residence

- A single family house, duplex, or unit within a multiple-dwelling structure that is the principal dwelling of an eligible veteran and is owned by such veteran or a family member of such veteran.



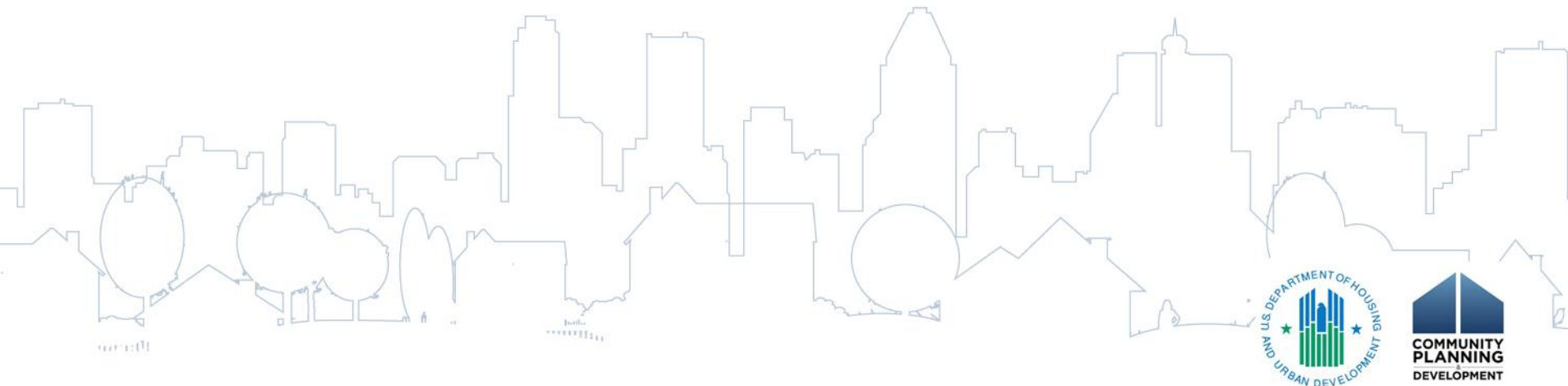
# Eligible Veteran

- Low-income veteran living with a disability.



# Content and Form of Application

- Verify download of correct NOFA.
- Download all required forms from [grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov).
- Include an abstract or summary.
- Include non-form attachments.



# Application Format and Form

- All eligible applications must include:
  - Pages numbered sequentially.
  - Table of contents.
  - 15-page narrative.
  - 12-point font.
  - Double lined spacing.
  - At least 1 inch margins on each side.



# 15 – Page Narrative

- **Includes:**
  - Response to all rating factors.
  - Workplan spreadsheet.
  - Any footnotes or other narratives related to factors.
- **Does not include:**
  - Table of contents.
  - Forms, assurances, certifications.
  - Letters of Firm Commitment.



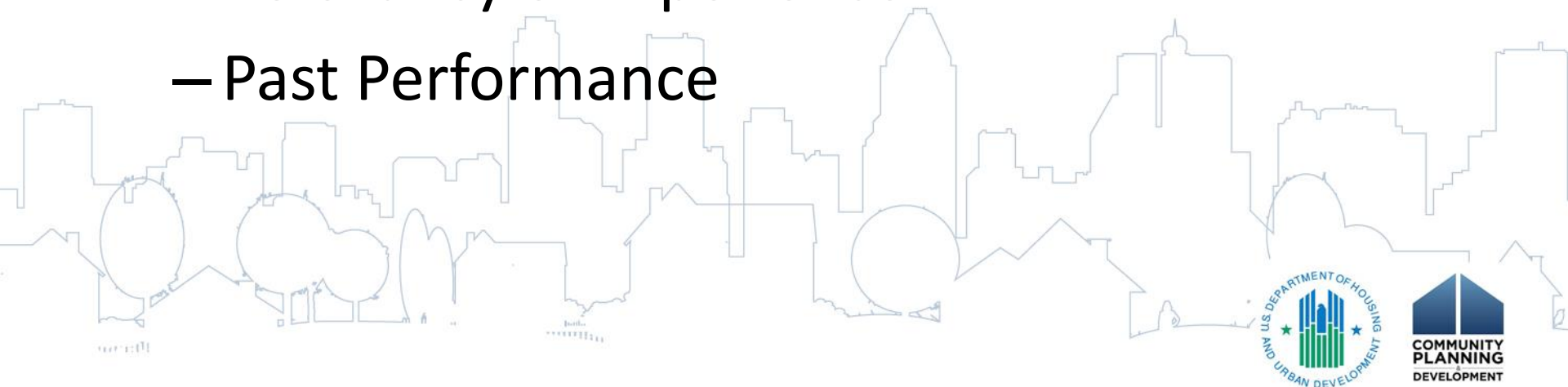
# Rating Factors

- Rating Factor 1 - Relevant Organizational Experience;
- Rating Factor 2 - Need and Extent of the Problem;
- Rating Factor 3 - Soundness of Approach;
- Rating Factor 4 - Leveraging Resources; and
- Rating Factor 5 - Achieving Results and Program Evaluation.



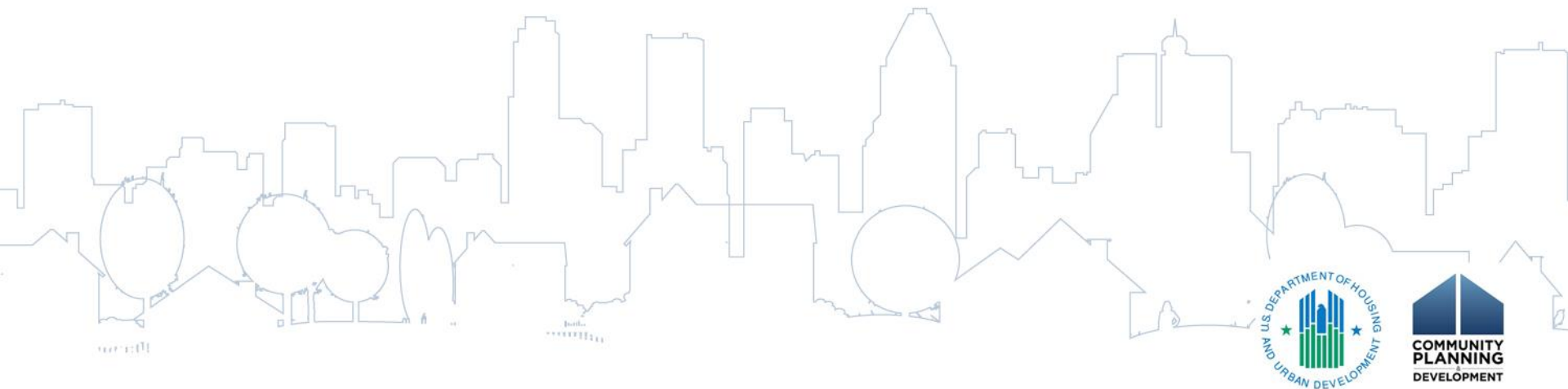
# Factor 1: Relevant Organizational Experience

- 30 points maximum for this factor.
- Applicant will be evaluated on:
  - Organizational Structure
  - Work with Veterans Service Organizations
  - Relevancy of Experience
  - Past Performance



# Factor 2: Need and Extent of the Problem

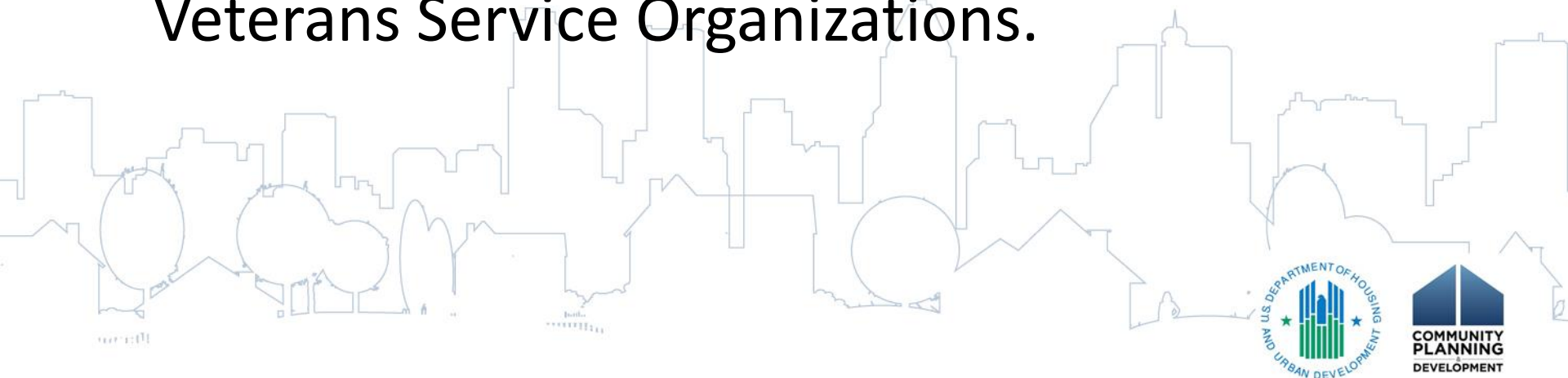
- 15 points maximum.
- Need for funding is related to proposed activity and approximate number of veterans served.
- Plan to target eligible applicants.





# Factor 2: Need and Extent of the Problem con't.

- Approach that addresses significant need = higher points.
- Be consistent with workplan described in rating factor 3(a)(iv).
- Do not duplicate effort of VA and other Veterans Service Organizations.



# Factor 3: Soundness of Approach

- 35 points maximum.
- Workplan elements:
  - Outreach plan of action.
  - Approximate number of veterans to be served.
  - Plan for working with VA and Veterans Service Organizations.



# Factor 3: Soundness of Approach con't.

- Workplan elements con't.
  - Budget broken out by line item.
  - Timetable with measurable short term and long term goals.
  - Outreach strategy.
  - Section 3 compliance strategy.



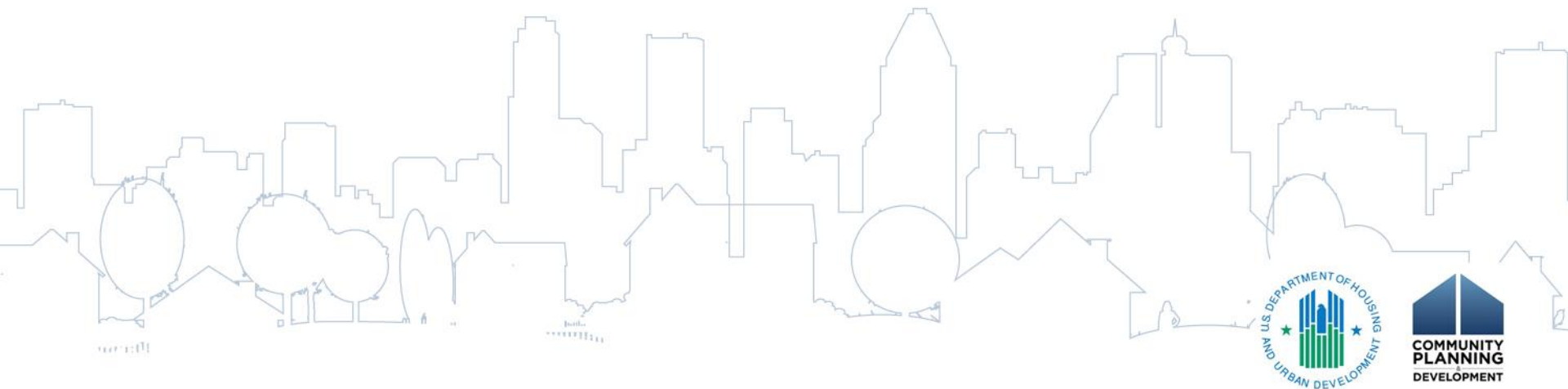
# Factor 4: Leveraging Resources

- 10 points maximum.
- **Not** Matching
- Cash or in-kind goods or services
- Comparison of extent of leveraged funds
- Letters of firm commitment requirement
- 50% or more of funds = 10 Points



# Matching

- Statutory requirement
- At least 50% of grant award
- May be in-kind services
- Must meet requirements of 2 CFR 200.306



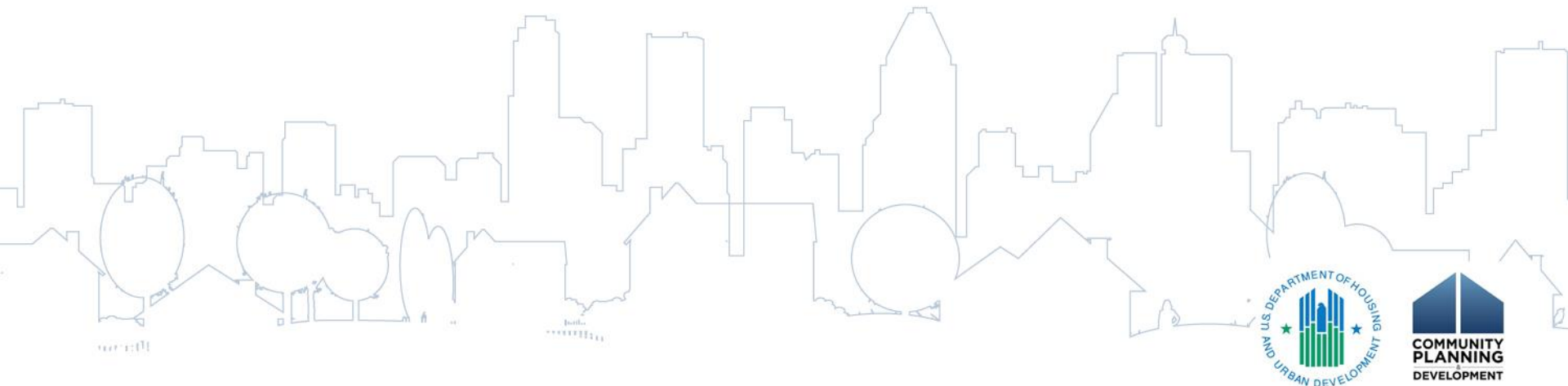
# Factor 5: Achieving Results and Program Evaluation

- 10 points maximum
- Outcomes
- Benchmarks
- Performance indicators w/ timelines
- Evaluation description
- Primary and secondary goals



# Application and Submission

- Download application and instructions from grants.gov
- Verify download of correct application package
- [support@grants.gov](mailto:support@grants.gov) or 1-800-518-4726



# Application Submission Dates and Time

- Application deadline is 11:59:59 pm Eastern Time 06/25/2018
- Changes can be made before deadline.
- Application must be validated by grants.gov
- Submit application at least 48 hours before the deadline
- [support@grants.gov](mailto:support@grants.gov) or 1-800-518-4726





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