

# N Grants Action NEWS

Information on available State,  
Federal and private grants

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## Inside Info on...

- *Community Development Block Grant Program*
- *Community Garden Capacity Building Program*
- *Community Empowerment for Aging*
- *Women's Mental Health in Pregnancy and the Postpartum*
- *Grant Writing*

... and  
much  
more.

## Questions?

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## ... On the State Level

### Community Development Block Grant Program

#### Housing Trust Fund Corporation

The New York State Community Development Block Grant Program (NYS CDBG) is a federally funded program administered by the New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation's Office of Community Renewal (OCR). The NYS CDBG Program provides funding to eligible communities for the development of projects providing decent and hazard-free affordable housing, access to safe drinking water, proper disposal of household wastewater, access to community-needed services in local facilities, and fostering economic opportunities through the support of projects that create and/or retain permanent employment opportunities principally benefiting low- and moderate-income persons. The 2009 Annual Competitive Round funds are available for the funding of community development projects in the categories of housing, public facilities and public infrastructure. The primary goal of NYS CDBG economic development funds is to create permanent, sustainable jobs that principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Eligible applicants include non-entitlement units of general local government. Non-entitlement areas are defined as cities, towns and villages with populations of less than 50,000, except those designated

principal cities of Metropolitan Statistical Areas, and counties with populations of less than 200,000.

**FUNDING:** The total funds available for these programs are approximately \$40 million.

**DEADLINE:** March 27, 2009.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Contact the Office of Community Renewal, Hampton Plaza, 38-40 State Street, Albany, NY 12207; or call 518-474-2057.

### Community Garden Capacity Building Program

#### Department of Agriculture and Markets

The Community Garden Capacity Building Program is intended to support proposals to build capacity of existing community gardens in New York State. The projects must involve outreach materials, organizational planning, community programs, leadership development, and/or fundraising training. The program will be divided into the Upstate and Downstate Regions with funding being split evenly between the two. There are no matching requirements. Projects for which funding is sought should be completed in 1 year or less.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Not-for-profit corporations or must be sponsored by a not-for-profit corporation or municipality to act as a fiscal agent for the grant funding.