



**Public Service Grant Application**  
**CARES Community Development Block Grant**  
**(CDBG-CV) Program**

**Eligible Activities & National Objective**

Public Service Activities in accordance with 24 CFR 570.201(e): (including labor, supplies, and materials) including but not limited to those concerned with employment, crime prevention, childcare, health, drug abuse, education, fair housing counseling, energy conservation.

Low-to-moderate (LMI) Limited Clientele: services to benefit a clientele in accordance with 24 CFR 570.208(a)(2) presumed to be principally LMI such as abused children, battered spouses, elderly persons, disabled adults, homeless persons, illiterate adults, and persons living with AIDS.

**Written Agreement Required**

Each recipient of CDBG funds must agree to sign a written agreement with the City, covering at a minimum the following provisions: 1) statement of work, 2) records and reports, 3) program income, 4) uniform administrative requirements, 5) suspension and termination, and 6) reversion of assets. **No expenses incurred prior to the signing of the agreement may be reimbursed for the project.**

All application must be tied back to Covid-19 in order to prevent, prepare to or respond to the pandemic. Example: the procurement of equipment to enable remote access/delivery as part of the public service.

Public Services must be provided, and agency (or office) located within the City of Joplin.

**Applications restricted to procurement of equipment and supplies.**

Procurement policies for the City of Joplin's CDBG Program are a combination of federal and City regulations. Procurement policies include, but are not limited to, the following basic requirements:

Approval – purchases and procurements (including subrecipient reimbursements) are approved by the Program Staff.

Bidding – purchases and procurements (including subrecipient reimbursements) are made in compliance with City bidding requirements, which are as follows:

1. Purchases under \$1,000 do not require bids,
2. Purchases between \$1,000 and \$15,000 require written bids



## Public Service Grant Application

<i>City Staff Only</i>
<i>Date Received:</i> _____
<i>IDIS Activity No:</i> _____

### Applicant Identification

Name of Organization: Ozark Center

Mailing Address: 1105 E. 32<sup>nd</sup> Street, Joplin, MO 64804

Name of Executive: Vicky Mieseler Title: CAO

Dates of Organization's Fiscal Year: April 1 to March 31

### Application Preparer

Name: Andrew Reynolds Title: Director of Facilities and Properties Phone: (417) 347-7861

### Project Type (Services Provided)

- 05A Senior Services
- 05B Handicapped Services
- 05C Legal Services
- 05D Youth Services
- 05E Transportation Services
- 05F Substance Abuse Services
- 05G Battered and Abused Spouses
- 05H Employment Training
- 05M Health Services
- 05N Abused and Neglected Children
- 03T Homeless/Aids Patients Programs
- 05X Housing Information and Referral Services
- 05G Domestic Violence Services

## Previous Assistance Disclosure

Check the appropriate box below if your business has received any Federal assistance after March 13, 2019

SBA Payment Protection Program (PPP) Amount Received: \_\_\_\_\_  
What was the specific use of the funds received: \_\_\_\_\_

SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) Amount Received: \_\_\_\_\_  
What was the specific use of the funds received: \_\_\_\_\_

SBA Express Bridge Loan Amount Received: \_\_\_\_\_  
What was the specific use of the funds received: \_\_\_\_\_

SBA Debt Relief Program Amount Received: \_\_\_\_\_  
What was the specific use of the funds received: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Federal Program Assistance Name of Program: HHS Provider Relief Funds

Amount Received: \$1,089,384.43

What was the specific use of the funds received:

- Expand Telehealth capacity, including pay for subscription to Doxy.Me/Zoom, purchasing additional monitors, and purchasing headsets.
- Operate a vaccination clinic, including paying for a program coordinator, nursing staff, supplies, and equipment including special refrigerators to store vaccines.
- Purchase PPE, including masks, cleaning supplies, thermometers, etc.
- Retain employees though pay increases, bonuses, and shift coverage incentives.



## Public Service Grant Application Required Narratives

Narratives must be provided in order to determine eligibility. Briefly, yet descriptively, complete the following narrative questions. Use a separate piece of paper, if not completing this form digitally. Provide all required attachments with the completed application.

1. Describe the non-for-profit applying for grant funds.  
Ozark Center is the area's largest and most comprehensive behavioral healthcare provider. Our staff provides effective, caring and confidential services for adults, families and children, including: individual, group and family counseling and therapy, Psychiatric services/medication management, Residential Care, 24-hour crisis services, and In-home support. Ozark also provides housing options for individuals diagnosed with a mental illness that require additional supportive services. It is our goal to assist people of all ages who are dealing with mental illness, addiction, trauma and/or abuse to develop the skills essential for living a life with dignity and purpose. Since opening, we have continued to expand services and programs in the communities we serve through innovation, pursuit of grants, fundraising activities. Ozark Center serves over 15,000 individuals per year and provides services regardless of ability to pay. Over 65% of the individuals we serve have Medicaid, are underinsured or uninsured.
2. Describe the public service selected on the project type selected on the previous page.  
Ozark Center provides transportation services (Project Type: 05E Transportation Services) to individuals in our residential, housing units, and day treatment programs who do not have other means of transportation available to get to their medical and/or behavioral health appointments. Ensuring access to care and treatment in a timely manner is vital to maintaining their physical and mental health. Most of the individual would not be able to attend their appointments without these vital transportation services being available. Ozark Center offers these transportation services free of charge to consumers in these intensive programs.
3. Describe the Limited Clientele population in accordance with 24 CFR 570.208(a)(2) for which service is provided. (Alternatively, the program must require income documentation for eligibility.)  
The transportation services provided by Ozark Center benefit children and adults who are in the low to moderate income level. Most of the individuals served in the transportation program qualify for Missouri Medicaid or are unemployed.  
Transportation services are available to clients of the following:
  - a. Pre-Adult Transitional Housing (PATH) provides housing and treatment services to youth age 17-25 who have aged out of the foster system or otherwise find themselves homeless and also have been diagnosed with a mental illness. PATH provides services to help build the skills needed to manage their mental health illness, gain employment, and/ or continue their education.
  - b. HUD Housing Apartments that offer a bridge between group homes and independent living that allow occupants to move toward self-care by attending day treatment and outpatient treatment services.
  - c. Residential Care Facility for adults with persistent of chronic mental illness, offers 24/7 direct care.

- d. Turnaround Ranch that provides 24-hour care for youths experiencing emotional and behavioral problems such as trauma, depression, substance abuse, and family problems.
- e. Variety of mental health programs such as, but not limited to adult community services, substance use services, and services for veterans.
- f. Mental Health Court is a 12-18 month program to help individuals manage their mental health illness; thereby providing them with the skills need to achieve a productive, criminal-free life. Many homeless people end up breaking the law and serving time in jail because of an undiagnosed and untreated mental illness. Over 9,000 people are incarcerated annually in Joplin and approximately 40% have mental health issues. The goal is to reduce homeless population and improve public safety by providing care to those with mental illness.

4. How will the grant funds be used to improve services.

The grant funds will be used to purchase an additional passenger vehicle. This will allow our vehicle fleet to provide safe, reliable transportation services to individuals in need of physical and behavioral health services. Several of our vehicles are showing their age and/or need expensive repairs. The addition of a new vehicle would allow us to put the new vehicles into the rotation and allow us to use the existing vehicles in place as backups for times our other vehicles are in the repair shop, obtaining preventive maintenance, or otherwise not in operation. Having a few backup vehicles will ensure transportation is always available to those in need of this service. Ozark Center provides transportation services to more than 60 individuals and multiple trips per day. Our transport drivers drive to several homeless shelters, such as Souls Harbor, to pick up clients that need rides to their appointments ensuring that they keep up with their treatment plan.

5. How will the use of grant funds be used to respond to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Purchase of the larger passenger vehicles will ensure our clients have access to timely physical and behavioral health services. The size of the vehicles requested will provide ample space so the individuals we are transporting can spread out in the vehicle, thereby helping prevent the spread of COVID-19. By purchasing a larger vehicle, it will free up our smaller ones to transport those individuals that have tested positive or have been exposed without spreading the virus to numerous others.

6. Provide the most recent financial statement for your corporation.

Financial statements are enclosed.

7. Provide itemizations of requested procured equipment and supplies.

Ozark Center is requesting to purchase the 2019 Ford Transit for \$37,423. This vehicle is high top, meaning they are taller inside which would help our elderly clients and those with disabilities. A detailed description of the vehicle is attached.

8. Provide three (3) written quotations for any items greater than \$1,000.00 and the identify the selected vendor's quotation.

Ozark Center has identified three vehicles that are available that would meet the needs of our programs and the individuals we serve.

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| 1. Wood Motor Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram in Jane, MO |              |          |
| a. 2019 Ford Transit – 350 XLT                    | 78,277 miles | \$37,423 |
| 2. Wood Motor Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram in Jane MO  |              |          |
| a. 2019 Ford Transit – 350 XLT                    | 77,420 miles | \$42,988 |
| 3. Wood Ford Carthage, MO                         |              |          |
| a. 2020 Ford Transit – 350 XLT                    | 77,336 miles | \$43,932 |

See attached pictures and details of vehicles.



## Public Service Grant Application

### Statement of Assurances

The applicant hereby assures and certifies that:

- (a) It possesses legal authority to apply for the grant, and execute the proposed program.
- (b) Its governing body has duly adopted or passed, as an official act, a resolution, motion or similar action authorizing the filing of the application, including all understandings and assurances contained therein, and direction, and authorizing the applicant's chief executive officer to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as may be required.
- (c) The Community Development Block Grant program has been developed so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which will benefit low and moderate income families, or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; or includes activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency as specifically explained in the application.
- (d) It will comply with the regulations, policies, guidelines, and requirements of 24 CFR 85, as modified by 24 CFR 570, Subpart J, as they relate to the application, acceptance, and use of Federal funds under this document.

It will comply with:

- (e) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Pub. Law 88-352), and the regulations issued pursuant thereto (24 CFR Part 1), which provides that no person in the United States shall on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the applicant receives Federal financial assistance and immediately take any measure necessary to effectuate this assurance. If any real property or structure thereon is provided or improved with the aid of Federal financial assistance extended to the applicant, this assurance shall obligate the applicant, or in the case of any transfer of such property, any transferee, for the period during which the real property or structure is used for a purpose for which the Federal financial assistance is extended, or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits;
- (f) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Pub. Law 90-284), as amended, administering all programs and activities relating to housing and community development in a manner to affirmatively further fair housing; and will take action to affirmatively further fair housing in the sale or rental of housing; the financing of housing, and the provisions of brokerage services;
- (g) Executive Order 12259, Leadership and Coordinator of Fair Housing in Federal Programs, requiring that programs and activities relating to housing and urban development be administered in a manner affirmatively to further the goals of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968;
- (h) Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (ACT) as amended, and the regulations issued pursuant thereto (24 CFR 570.602), which provides that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, national origin, or sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity funded in whole or in part with funds provided under the act. Any prohibition against discrimination on the basis of age under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 or with respect to otherwise qualified handicapped individuals as provided in Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended shall also apply to any such program activity.
- (i) Titles I through V of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990;
- (j) Executive Order 11246 as amended by Executive Orders 11375 and 12086, and the regulations issued pursuant thereto (24CFR Part 130 and 41 CFR Chapter 60), which provide that no person shall be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin in all phases of employment during the performance of federal or federally assisted construction contracts; shall take affirmative actions to insure fair treatment in employment, upgrading, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation and selection for training and apprenticeship; and
- (j) It will abide by the terms and conditions of the City of Joplin's Conflict of Interest Program Policy for all activities paid for or assisted by Community Development Block Grant funds.
- (k) It will comply with the Anti-kickback Copeland Act of 1934, 18 U.S.C. Sec. 874 and 40 U.S.C. Sec. 276(a), which outlaws and prescribes penalties for "kickbacks" of wages in federally financed or assisted construction activities.
- (l) It will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act which limits the political activity of employees.
- (m) It will give the City of Joplin and HUD, through any authorized representatives, access to and the right to

examine all records, books, papers, or documents relating to the grant.

(n) It will insure that the facilities under its ownership, lease or supervision which shall be utilized in the accomplishment of the program are not listed on the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) list of Violating Facilities and that it will notify the State of the receipt of any communication from the Director of the EPA Office of Federal Activities indicating that a facility to be used in the project is under consideration for listing with the EPA.

(o) It will comply with:

- (1) The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S. C. Sec. 4321 et seq.) and 24 CFR Part 58;
- (2) Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management;
- (3) Executive Order 11990, Protection of Wetland;
- (4) The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, (16 U.S.C. Sec. 1531 et seq.);
- (5) The Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act of 1958, as amended, (16 U.S.C. Sec. 661 et seq.);
- (6) The Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, as amended (16 U.S.C. Sec. 1271);
- (7) The Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, (42 U.S.C. Sec. 30(f) et seq.);
  - (8) Section 401 (f) of the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act, as amended (42 U.S.C.S. 4831 (b) and Title X of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992;
  - (9) Sections 700.300 – 324 of RSMo concerning lead paint hazards;
  - (10)The Clean Air Act of 1970, as amended (42 U.S.C.S. 7401 et seq.);
  - (11)The Federal Water Pollution Control Act of 1972, as amended, (33 U.S.C.S. 1251 et. seq.);
  - (12)The Clean Water Act of 1977 (Public Law 95-217);
  - (13)The Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 6901 et seq.);
  - (14)Section 519 of Public Law 101-144, the 1990 HUD Appropriations Act, prohibiting use of excessive force by jurisdictional law enforcement in response to nonviolent civil rights demonstrations, and prohibiting physical barring of entrance or exit to a facility subject to the nonviolent civil rights demonstrations;
  - (15)Section 1352, Title 31, U.S.C. if awarded funds in excess of \$100,000;
  - (16)The Single Audit Act of 1984, amended 1996, Public Law 98-502, and OMB Circular A-133;
  - (17)Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act (Section 906 and 912);
  - (18)Subpart C of 24 CFR, Part 12 regarding disclosure requirements.

(p) It will comply with all parts of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, which have not been cited previously as well as with other applicable laws.

(q) Any activities conducted with amounts received by a unit of general local government under this subsection shall be subject to the applicable provisions of this Title and other Federal law in the same manner and to the same extent as activities conducted with amounts received by a unit of general local government under subsection (a).

Signature of Authorized Representative

*Vicky Mieseler*

Date: 04/06/2023

Printed Name

Vicky Mieseler, Chief Administrative Officer