

PROJECT SUMMARY: NC CDBG-NR



Emergency Home Repairs and Parks Improvement - \$950,000

The Town of Carrboro proposes using NC CDBG-NR funds for Emergency Home Repairs for low-to-moderate income (LMI) homeowners primarily in the Qualified Census Tract (QCT) and to support existing housing in this area by improving parks and playgrounds to increase accessibility and enjoyment for all residents.

During the public comments period for the Orange County HOME Annual Action Plan, Orange County residents consistently indicated the need for repairing and preserving homes for LMI households and viewed this as a high priority concern.¹ Low-income homeowners, especially those who have lived in their homes for a long time and are living on a fixed income, often do not have adequate savings or resources to cover the cost of home maintenance and repairs, leading to deteriorating conditions in their home. Escalating property values only exacerbate their circumstances; in 2025 Orange County property values increased 52%.²

Town of Carrboro parks that support existing housing in the QCT, Town Commons and Simpson Park, fall behind other parks in Carrboro in terms of equity and quality. Assessments showed facilities did not meet current safety standards, have outdated playground equipment and limited options for accessible and inclusive play; and lacked sustainability and green features.

CDBG-NR, if awarded, would improve the health, safety, and housing and economic stability of LMI Carrboro residents. The Emergency Home Repairs and Parks Improvement project supports the CDBG National Objective of benefiting low-to-moderate persons and meets the NC Neighborhood Revitalization Livability Principle, Support Existing Communities.

Emergency Home Repair - \$355,000

- Remove imminent health and safety hazards and/or barriers to habitability
- Carrboro homeowners, 80% AMI or less
- RFP for nonprofit partner to conduct repairs
- CDBG-NR funds will be loans to the homeowner, forgivable after 5-8 years
- Est. 30 homes served within 30-month timeline
- Extends the impact of the Town's affordable housing funds

Parks Improvement - \$500,000

- Turnkey projects completed within 30-month timeline
- Enhance parks for over 67% who are within a mile radius of these two parks
- Provide updates to include ADA accessibility
- Provide accessible play equipment for all abilities

Administration – up to 10% of the award (\$95,000)

- Contract with Central Pines Regional Council
- Experienced in administering federal source grants, including CDBG

The Town will provide leverage funds for the project, \$50,000 (affordable housing) and \$100,000 (capital improvement funds).

¹[Orange County NC FY25-26 HOME Annual Action Plan](#)

²[Revaluations come out this week. Here's what Orange County property owners can expect. - Daily Tar Heel](#)

³[3-Affordable-Housing](#)