

## Relevant Earmark Accounts

### Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

- **Community Development Fund**
  - Allowable activities include the acquisition of real property, construction and rehabilitation of community facilities, beautification of urban land, conservation of open spaces, natural resources, or scenic areas for recreational opportunities, demolition or removal of buildings, elimination of blight, housing projects, and projects to remove barriers that restrict the mobility and accessibility of elderly and handicapped persons.
  - Projects must primarily benefit the low-income and moderate-income residents of a community and cannot be used for the acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of buildings for the general conduct of government, such as a town hall.

### Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

- **Clean Water State Revolving Fund**
  - The Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) program is a federal-state partnership that provides communities low-cost financing for a wide range of water quality infrastructure projects.
  - Using a combination of federal and state funds, state CWSRF programs provide loans to eligible recipients to construct municipal wastewater facilities, control nonpoint sources of pollution, build decentralized wastewater treatment systems, create green infrastructure projects, protect estuaries, and fund other water quality projects.

### Department of Transportation (DOT)

- **Highway Infrastructure Grants**
  - This program covers projects that are eligible for funding under the major federal surface transportation programs. Much of this funding is provided to states by formula, and any project seeking earmark funding will need support from MDOT.
  - This program also includes Transportation Alternatives Program, which supports local priorities such as bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure.



## Department of Agriculture (USDA)

- **Rural Housing Service (community facilities account within RHS)**
  - This flexible account can be used to purchase, construct, make improvements to, or purchase equipment for community facilities in rural communities.
  - Allowable uses of funds include support for health care facilities, public facilities such as town halls, courthouses, or street improvements, community support services for childcare centers, community centers, or fairgrounds, improvements to the facilities of emergency personnel, community educational services for museums, libraries, or private schools, food systems including community gardens, food pantries, and utility services for telemedicine and distance learning equipment.
  - Only public bodies and nonprofits operating in rural communities with populations of 20,000 or less are eligible to compete for this funding source.

## Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

- **Administration for Children and Families**
  - This account funds projects to improve the prevention, assessment, identification, and treatment of child abuse and neglect through research, model service improvement, information dissemination, and technical assistance. Projects must serve or target abused and/or neglected children and their families.
- **Administration for Community Living's Aging and Disability Services Program**
  - Provides funding for projects to improve the ability of older adults and individuals of all ages with disabilities to live independently and participate fully in their communities. Generally, projects should focus on improving access to, or the quality of, education, training, support services, and independent living services for older adults and individuals with disabilities.
  - Funds cannot be used for construction or renovation of facilities.
- **Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration**
  - **Mental Health:** Eligible SAMHSA Mental Health projects include those to support programs that promote the prevention or treatment of mental health disorders, including rehabilitation, outreach, and other support services.
  - **Substance Abuse Treatment:** This account provides resources to enhance programs that improve access, reduce barriers, and promote high quality, effective treatment and recovery services.
  - **Substance Abuse Prevention:** Allowable uses of funds for this program include projects to prevent the onset of illegal drug use, prescription drug misuse and abuse, alcohol misuse and abuse, and underage alcohol and tobacco use.