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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Potential LCDBG Applicants  
Administrative Consulting Firms  
Engineering and Architectural Firms

**FROM:**  Traci Watts, Director  
Office of Community Development-Local Government Assistance

**DATE:** March 28, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Louisiana Community Development Block Grant Program –  
Clearance Program Application Workshop

The State of Louisiana has been allocated \$22,759,065 in federal funds for the FY 2023 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant Program. Of that amount, \$6 million will be set aside for the Clearance Program to address the national objective of eliminating or preventing slum and blight. OCD-LGA will host three Application Workshops to discuss the rating criteria and application process for this new program. Citizen participation and procurement requirements will also be reviewed in depth.

Workshops will be held as follows:

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| April 12, 2023 | Main Street Community Center, 708 Main Street, Pineville, LA 71360  |
| April 13, 2023 | Coordinating and Development Corporation, 4000 Viking Drive, Bossier City, LA 71111                                   |
| April 14, 2023 | Claiborne Building, Thomas Jefferson Room, Room 1-136 A & B,<br>1201 N. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802 |

Each session is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. and conclude by 3:00 p.m. On-site registration will begin thirty (30) minutes prior to the scheduled start time of each session. The application will be available on the OCD-LGA website at <https://www.doa.la.gov/dao/ocd-lga/ocd-lga-news/> beginning April 11, 2023.

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