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## **GOVERNOR HASLAM, COMMISSIONER ROLFE ANNOUNCE 66 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS**

*Grants and investments to assist communities with local infrastructure and safety*

**NASHVILLE** – Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam and Economic and Community Development Commissioner Bob Rolfe recently approved nearly \$25.5 million in Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), which assist communities with infrastructure improvements, health and safety initiatives and façade improvements in downtown commercial districts.

“I congratulate the 66 communities receiving the CDBG funds,” Haslam said. “By investing in themselves, these communities are taking steps to create better a working and living environment for their citizens, and helping Tennessee lead in economic development, putting us one step closer to our goal of making Tennessee the No. 1 location in the Southeast for high quality jobs.”

“With the assistance of the CDBG funds, each grantee is taking the initiative to enhance their community, which will in turn create more economic development opportunities for the members of those communities,” Rolfe said. “I want to congratulate the 66 recipients on receiving these grants and look forward to seeing each of them continue to succeed.”

The allocation of CDBG funds is based on priorities set through the public meeting process at the local community level. The CDBG program is funded through HUD and administered in Tennessee by the Department of Economic and Community Development. Funds are available for water and sewer improvements and extensions, housing rehabilitation, health and safety projects as well as commercial façade improvements in Main Street and Tennessee Downtown communities. Commercial façade grants can be used for new awnings and signs, painting, building repair and other upgrades.

Below is a list of the Community Development Block Grants:

<b>Community</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Matching Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
Allardt	Fire Protection	\$223,000	\$28,000	\$251,000
Athens	Sewer System Improvements	\$525,000	\$251,208	\$776,208



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Bell Buckle	Sewer System Improvements	\$442,426	\$38,471	\$480,897
Bolivar	Sewer System Improvements	\$389,197	\$48,103	\$437,300
Brownsville	Housing Rehabilitations	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000
Byrdstown	Water System Improvements	\$525,000	\$65,000	\$590,000
Campbell County	Fire Service Improvements	\$315,000	\$47,069	\$362,069
Celina	Commercial Façade Improvements	\$100,000	\$33,333	\$133,333
Centerville	Commercial Façade Improvements	\$100,000	\$33,333	\$133,333
Clifton	Fire Protection	\$254,604	\$16,251	\$270,855
Erin	Sewer System Improvements	\$525,000	\$3,375,000	\$3,900,000
Erwin	Commercial Façade Improvements	\$100,000	\$33,333	\$133,333
Erwin	Ambulance Services	\$315,000	\$145,400	\$460,400
Estill Springs	Early Warning Sirens	\$116,317	\$20,526	\$136,843
Ethridge	Emergency Response Vehicle	\$115,000	\$18,721	\$133,721
Etowah	Sewer System Improvements	\$520,200	\$91,800	\$612,000
Gates	Water System Improvements	\$525,000	\$89,500	\$614,500
Greeneville	Sewer System Improvements	\$525,000	\$870,236	\$1,395,236
Harriman	Water System Improvements	\$525,000	\$93,000	\$618,000
Houston County	Hospital Renovations	\$315,000	\$35,000	\$350,000
Humboldt	Sewer System Improvements	\$525,000	\$78,448	\$603,448



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Huntland	Sewer System Improvements	\$450,000	\$2,050,000	\$2,500,000
Jamestown	Sewer System Improvements	\$525,000	\$123,150	\$648,150
Jasper	Sewer Line Improvements	\$525,000	\$183,000	\$708,000
Jefferson City	Commercial Façade Improvements	\$100,000	\$33,333	\$133,333
Jefferson County	Water Line Improvements	\$424,961	\$74,993	\$499,954
Jonesborough	Commercial Façade Improvements	\$100,000	\$33,333	\$133,333
Lauderdale County	Ambulance Services	\$315,000	\$31,500	\$346,500
Lawrence County	Water System Improvements	\$525,000	\$58,333	\$583,333
Lawrenceburg	Sewer System Improvements	\$525,000	\$226,000	\$751,000
Lewis County	Water System Improvements	\$525,000	\$58,334	\$583,334
Lewisburg	Sewer System Improvements	\$525,000	\$92,647	\$617,647
Livingston	Sewer System Improvements	\$525,000	\$93,000	\$618,000
Martin	Commercial Façade Improvements	\$100,000	\$33,333	\$133,333
Martin	Sewer System Improvements	\$511,200	\$56,800	\$568,000
Maynardville	Sewer System Improvements	\$525,000	\$159,300	\$684,300
McKenzie	Sewer System Improvements	\$525,000	\$58,333	\$583,333
McLemoresville	Protective Fire Equipment	\$80,677	\$5,073	\$85,750
McMinn County	Water Line Improvements	\$525,000	\$346,115	\$871,115



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Milan	Sewer System Improvements	\$525,000	\$139,600	\$664,600
Milledgeville	Water System Improvements	\$525,000	\$189,000	\$714,000
Monroe County	Water Line Improvements	\$525,000	\$92,647	\$617,647
Morgan County	Water Line Improvements	\$525,000	\$51,923	\$576,923
Newport	Drainage Improvements	\$315,000	\$65,000	\$380,000
Niota	Water System Improvements	\$425,000	\$75,000	\$500,000
Obion County	Sewer System Improvements	\$488,250	\$36,750	\$525,000
Oneida	Sewer System Improvements	\$525,000	\$107,600	\$632,600
Palmer	Fire Truck	\$91,000	\$9,000	\$100,000
Paris	Commercial Façade Improvements	\$100,000	\$33,333	\$133,333
Pikeville	Commercial Façade Improvements	\$37,500	\$12,500	\$50,000
Perry County	Water Line Improvements	\$282,750	\$42,250	\$325,000
Polk County	Water System Improvements	\$525,000	\$220,620	\$745,620
Red Bank	Sewer System Improvements	\$525,000	\$730,300	\$1,255,300
Rhea County	Water System Improvements	\$525,000	\$317,000	\$842,000
Rives	Drainage Improvements	\$164,500	\$10,500	\$175,000
Roane County	Fire Protective Services	\$312,910	\$64,090	\$377,000
Rutherford	Water System Improvements	\$420,032	\$200,000	\$620,032
Scott County	EMS Service Improvements	\$315,000	\$35,000	\$350,000



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Shelbyville	Sewer System Improvements	\$450,000	\$67,241	\$517,241
Somerville	Sewer System Improvements	\$451,000	\$61,500	\$512,500
South Fulton	Sewer System Improvements	\$488,250	\$36,750	\$525,000
Stewart County	Water System Improvements	\$391,392	\$58,483	\$449,875
Sweetwater	Housing Rehabilitations	\$525,000	\$0	\$525,000
Tellico Plains	Water System Improvements	\$525,000	\$115,300	\$640,300
Tipton County	Community Revitalization	\$261,450	\$53,550	\$315,000
Waverly	Water System Improvements	\$525,000	\$263,375	\$788,375

Each application was supported by the community's senator and representatives in the Tennessee General Assembly.

## About the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development

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