

Town of Marshall

Notice of Public Hearing to Solicit Input for Grant Application

Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR), Community Infrastructure (CI) Grant Program

August 5, 2026

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Marshall will hold a Public Hearing on August 17, 2026, at 6 PM at A-B Tech Madison located at 4646 US-25 #70, Marshall, NC 28753. The Hearing will be held before the Town Mayor and Board of Aldermen to solicit citizen input in the development of a grant application for the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery, Community Infrastructure Grant Program (CDBG-CI).

CDBG-CI funds are provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), administered in North Carolina by the North Carolina Department of Commerce's Division of Community Revitalization (DCR). The purpose of the CDBG-CI program is to help impacted communities in western North Carolina within State- and HUD-Identified Most Impacted and Distressed (MID) counties become more resilient to current and future natural hazards. The minimum grant amount for each project is \$500,000, and the maximum grant amount is \$15,000,000. The DCR has allocated a total of \$55,000,000 to the first round of the CDBG-CI grant program in North Carolina. The Town aims to submit two first-round CDBG-CI applications to support infrastructure improvements following damages from Tropical Storm Helene.

The scope of the first project are improvements to Fortner Hollow Road, a critical local access route in Marshall, North Carolina. The purpose of this project is to improve the safety, reliability, and long-term resilience of the roadway by addressing street width, drainage, and slope-related deficiencies in a manner appropriate for a constrained mountain corridor. The roadway will also support planned community infrastructure by providing safe and sustainable travel. The Town will seek grant funding in the amount of \$11,228,765, subject to adjustment.

The scope of the second project are Resiliency Improvements to the drinking water system, in Marshall, North Carolina which was damaged in Hurricane Helene. Waterline components of the project will include the extension of a waterline on Fischer Lane, the installation of a new properly sized waterline at Rector Corner Road, the addition of a water tank at Rector Corner/Baileys Branch, and the installation of two new booster pump stations at Baileys Branch and Redmon Road. The Town will seek grant funding in the amount of \$8,602,458, subject to adjustment.

The Town will solicit community input and stakeholder feedback through an open public comment period. The public comment period will begin on August 17, 2026, and will end on August 31, 2026. You may obtain a copy of the proposed application and direct comments to the Marshall Town Hall offices at 10 Derringer Drive, Marshall NC 28753 or by emailing Town Administrator Ryan Cody at administrator@townofmarshall.org or by calling 828-649-3031.

For special accommodations when attending meetings and/or this information is needed in an alternate format because of a disability, send an e-mail to administrator@townofmarshall.org or call (828) 649-3031.

This information is available in Spanish or any other language upon request. Please contact Kaitland Finkle at kaitland@landofsky.org to accommodate a language request.

You can access the full CDBG-CI Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) at:

<https://www.commercerecovery.nc.gov/renew-nc-programs/community-infrastructure-program#NoticeofFundingOpportunityNOFO-685>