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for
New Jersey's Administration
of the
Small Cities Community Development Block Grant
Program
State Fiscal Year 2011**

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**Summary Information for State Fiscal Year 2011
Federal Fiscal Year 2010**

Community Development Block Grant Program

FFY 2010 Total Allocation: \$7,846,149

State Administration: \$ 335,384

FFY 2010 Funds:	\$7,510,765
Emergency Housing Repair	\$ 20,000
Innovative Development	\$1,000,000
Housing Rehabilitation	\$2,000,000
Public Facilities	\$4,490,765
108 Loan Authorization	to be determined*

* This figure has not been set or adjusted for current loan obligations, which was not available at the time of this publication. Starting SFY 2011 the NJ Department of Community Affairs, NJ Small Cities CDBG Program may be administering the 108 Loan Program. An announcement will be published if and when the program is operational.

Application Submission Schedule

Emergency Housing Repair Fund	Applications accepted throughout the program year.
Innovative Development Fund	Applications must be submitted no later than Friday October 29, 2010.
Housing Rehabilitation Fund	Applications must be submitted no later than Friday October 29, 2010.
Public Facilities Fund	Applications must be submitted no later than Friday October 29, 2010.
108 Loan Program	NJEDA no longer administers the program. To be determined.

Objectives

State Conformance to National Objectives

The State of New Jersey will be guided by applicable federal rules and regulations in carrying out the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. All project activities must meet one of the three national program objectives set forth in the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended:

1. To undertake community development activities that principally benefit persons of low and moderate income;
2. To prevent or eliminate slums and blight;
3. To meet urgent community development needs for which no other resources are available.

The State of New Jersey certifies that not less than 70 percent of the funds will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Low and moderate income is defined in the New Jersey Small Cities CDBG Program as the income of "lower income" families as set forth in the Section 8 Assisted Housing Program of the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (US HUD). The US HUD provides applicable standards, and the standards are included in application instructions distributed to all **eligible units of local government** (list attached).

State Program Objectives

1. Support housing rehabilitation programs that maintain the supply of safe, decent, and affordable housing.
2. Support and encourage efficient patterns of community development, redevelopment, and capital funding by giving priority to proposals that address documented health and safety concerns and further the policies set forth in the *State Development and Redevelopment Plan*.
3. Encourage innovative proposals that combine job creation, housing improvement, and other eligible activities to renew designated revitalization areas.
4. Encourage the development of facilities needed to support welfare to work programs such as job training and child and elder care.
5. Support and encourage neighborhood revitalization efforts identified in locally developed plans and strategies.

6. Improve the availability and adequacy of essential public facilities, and remedy serious deficiencies in areas that principally serve people of low or moderate income.
7. Ensure that municipalities have the capacity to implement community development programs and maintain community development improvements.
8. To support community development projects of particular urgency where existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and where other financial resources are unavailable.

Distribution of Allocation

Contingent on the US HUD’s final approval of the State’s Consolidated Plan, the distribution of CDBG funds will be as set forth below.

Administration and Technical Assistance

<i>Administration</i>	\$ 335,384
<i>Technical Assistance</i>	\$ 0

The State is permitted to retain an amount equal to 3 percent of the grant award plus \$100,000 to cover costs associated with the State’s administration of the CDBG program.

Funds

<i>Emergency Housing Repair Fund</i>	\$ 20,000
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The Emergency Housing Repair Fund has been established to correct emergency conditions in owner-occupied housing where the owner is income-eligible and unable to obtain assistance from any other public or private source. Assistance will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis to the extent funds are available. Only eligible units of local government may apply on behalf of the homeowner.

The maximum grant award in this category will be \$5,000. However, the DCA will consider exceeding this ceiling if the applicant presents compelling reasons to do so. Prospective applicants are required to contact the Small Cities CDBG Program before submitting a proposal for assistance.

<i>Innovative Development Fund</i>	\$ 1,000,000
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This fund provides assistance for activities that meet one of the three national objectives of the program, but that do NOT qualify for consideration under any of the other Small Cities Funds. Innovative development proposals must consist of

more than one eligible activity (excluding administration or planning). The activities proposed must be carried out within the same time period and must be directly related to the implementation of a locally approved redevelopment strategy. Grants may not exceed \$500,000 unless compelling reasons for exceeding that amount are set forth by the applicant and accepted by the DCA.

Housing Rehabilitation Fund \$ 2,000,000

This fund will be used for activities that improve the condition of affordable housing in New Jersey. County-managed programs may be awarded up to \$500,000. Multi-jurisdictional programs may receive grants of up to \$350,000. Awards to programs serving only one municipality may not exceed \$200,000.

Public Facilities Fund \$ 4,490,765

This fund is established to assist units of local government to construct or improve essential public facilities that will primarily benefit people of low and moderate income. The maximum grant awarded in this category will be \$500,000. However, this maximum may be exceeded if compelling reasons are presented and accepted by the DCA.

108 Loan Program

The 108 Loan Program authorizes the State to extend financing to commercial projects and to real estate and industrial businesses with a proven ability to expand. The 108 Program funds may be used for fixed-asset financing; for land, construction or renovation; for machinery and equipment; or for working capital. Such loans may be provided for up to 90% of the total fixed-asset financing.

The terms of the loans are a maximum of 20 years for real estate, 10 years for machinery and equipment, and 6 years for working capital. The interest rate is fixed at 200 basis points above the rate charged to the State by HUD, except for projects located within a Federal Empowerment Zone. In such locations the interest rate is 175 basis points above the rate charged to the State by HUD. The purpose of the 108 loan program is to stimulate private sector investment and to retain and create permanent job opportunities for people of low and moderate income residing in eligible units of local government. The project may also qualify if it produces a vital service consistent with one of the statutory objectives of the CDBG program.

108 Loan Authorization \$TBD *

NOTE: NJEDA no longer administers the 108 Loan Program. NJDCA may administer the program.

*This figure has not been established at this time. Program administration will not be included in this figure.

Matching Requirements

Units of local government seeking assistance from the Innovative Development Fund, the Public Facilities Fund, and the Housing Rehabilitation Fund are required to commit a percentage of the grant request, based on the applicable Municipal Distress Index ranking (MDI Rank). The matching share is determined as follows:

MDI Rank	Matching Share
0 to 100	5%
101 to 200	10%
201 to 300	15%
301 to 400	20%
401 and above	25%

The MDI rank for each Small Cities-eligible unit of government is provided in the Appendix. Where more than one municipality is participating in the proposed project, the matching requirement will be determined by combining the MDI of each participant and dividing by the number of participating municipalities. Where in-kind services will be used, identified costs borne by the applicant must be consistent with established DCA standards as set forth in the applicable application guide. The matching fund requirement shall not apply to Emergency Housing Repair assistance and Innovative Development Fund grants.

Number of Applications

Applicants may apply for one Housing Rehabilitation grant, one Public Facilities grant, and one Innovative Development grant per year. The Department retains the discretion to award only one grant a year per jurisdiction.

Open Balances of Prior Awards

The Department reserves the right not to fund an applicant should a substantial balance exist in prior grant awards at the time of application.

Reallocation of Funds

The DCA may transfer funds (including those recaptured from cancellations or closeout balances and program income) among funding categories based on demand for assistance demonstrated by the number of applications received.

Evaluation Criteria

Emergency Housing Repair

Funding to correct emergency conditions in owner-occupied housing units may be requested by an eligible local government at any time throughout the funding year and will be evaluated according to the following considerations:

1. Compliance with a statutory National Objective.
2. Documented needs and costs.
3. Certification that other public or private funding sources are not available.
4. Date of submission.

108 Loan Program

This program is currently in the process of transferring to the Department. Program requirements have not been established as of this date. However, once the program is setup applications for 108 loans will be evaluated by the Department to determine compliance with applicable federal statutes and regulations, with State program objectives and for credit worthiness.

Community Development and Housing Needs Statement

To be considered for assistance from any Small Cities fund (with the exception of the Emergency Housing Repair Fund and the 108 Loan Program), the applicant must provide a *Community Development and Housing Needs Statement*. This statement must include at least three components – community development needs, housing needs, and status of applicable land use plans. The proposed program must address at least one of the areas identified in the Statement of Community Development and Housing Needs to be considered for a grant. Instructions for preparing this document are set forth in the SAGE application guide for each Small Cities Fund.

Innovative Development

To qualify for funding this year, applicants must document that the problem to be addressed and/or the remedy proposed fall(s) outside the scope of other funding categories. Only programs that are designed to provide 100 percent benefit to people of low and moderate-income or programs that meet one of the national

objectives and are designed to create alternative energy sources and energy conservation are eligible.

Housing Rehabilitation, Public Facilities and Innovative Development Funds

All proposals will be subject to the following review process. Utilizing a standardized Application Review Form (Attachment A), staff of the Small Cities CDBG Program will review all applications to determine if threshold requirements are met. **Applications that fail to meet a threshold requirement will not be funded.**

Threshold Requirements

- **Attachment A:** Refer to the Threshold Requirements in the Small Cities Application Review Form attached, page 12.
- **All Federal Compliance Items:** Resolutions for citizen participation and affirmatively furthering fair housing, a grant management plan, an environmental review record (ERR) for the level of review required and a phase I environmental site assessment if required (the ERR must include proof of the official public notice and letters documenting findings, see the Small Cities ERR Handbook section on the Program's web page), professional services agreement drafts, cooperative agreement draft, an adopted policies and procedures manual for housing programs and matching funds certification must be 100 percent complete and ready for execution before submitting the application. Applicants that do not complete the above items and do not submit them with the application may not be eligible for funding.
- **All Housing Rehabilitation Applications:** Housing programs must establish a revolving loan fund and include such provision in an adopted policies and procedures manual.

Rated Criteria

Applications that meet all threshold requirements will then be scored based upon the following criteria:

- **Municipal Distress:** The relative need of an applicant will be evaluated by using the Statewide Municipal Distress Index (MDI), which appears in the attached table pages 14 -16. The indices are used by State agencies in allocating need-based assistance to municipalities. Applicants may receive up to 100 points as follows:

MDI Rank	Score
0 to 100	100 Points
101 to 200	80 Points
201 to 300	60 Points
301 to 400	40 Points
401 and above	20 Points

- Readiness to Proceed:** The degree to which an applicant is ready to proceed with the proposed project will be evaluated as follows: **Housing Rehabilitation** - applications that include a list of three or more income-eligible households with biddable work write-ups will receive 100 points. **Public Facilities** - applications that include biddable plans and specifications will receive 100 points.
- Balance Ratio:** Applicants will be rated on the remaining balance of grant awards received in a funding category over a three year period, including all open grants at the time of application. Applicants with ratios of .50 or less will receive 100 points and applicants with ratios above .50 will receive zero points.
- Past Performance:** Past performance will affect an applicant's overall rated score. Good past performance will boost the score. However, multiple instances of poor performance in managing grants, e.g., where concerns and findings were documented as a result of monitoring visits, may lower the overall rated score.

Rating	Score
Good	51 to 100 Points
Fair	1 to 50 Points
Poor	0 to -100 Points

Eligible Activities

Activities assisted under the Small Cities CDBG Program are limited to the following:

- Acquisition of real property that is blighted, appropriate for rehabilitation, appropriate for preservation as a historic site, or used for provision of public works or other public purposes.
- Acquisition, construction, reconstruction, or installation of public works or facilities (except buildings for the general conduct of government) and site and other improvements.

3. Code enforcement in deteriorated or deteriorating areas in which such enforcement may arrest the area's decline.
4. Clearance, demolition, removal, and rehabilitation of buildings.
5. Special projects directed to the removal of architectural barriers that restrict the accessibility of the elderly and handicapped.
6. Payments to housing owners for losses of rental income incurred in holding units for relocated individuals and families displaced by activities under the program.
7. Disposition of real property acquired pursuant to the program.
8. Provision of public services if the local government has not provided such services during the 12-month period immediately preceding implementation of the program.
9. Payment of the non-Federal share required in connection with a Federal grant-in-aid program undertaken as part of this program.
10. Payment of the cost of completing a project funded under Title I of the Housing Act of 1949.
11. Relocation payments for displaced individuals, families, businesses, and organizations as a result of activities under the program.
12. Activities necessary to develop a comprehensive community development plan and to develop a policy-planning-management capacity to enable the recipient to more effectively administer the program.
13. Payment of reasonable administrative costs.
14. Activities carried out by public or private non-profit organizations including:
 - a. Planning
 - b. Acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or installation of public facilities (except for buildings for the general conduct of government), site improvements, and utilities and commercial or industrial buildings or structures.
15. Assistance to non-profit organizations serving non-entitlement areas, local development corporations or entities organized under the Small Business Investment Act of 1985 to carry out a neighborhood revitalization or community economic development or energy conservation projects, including the development of shared housing opportunities for the elderly (other than by construction of new facilities).
16. Activities necessary to the development of a comprehensive community-wide energy-use strategy.
17. Assistance to private, for-profit entities, when the assistance is appropriate to carry out an economic development project.
18. Rehabilitation or development of housing assisted under Section 17 of the United States Housing Act of 1937.

19. Assistance to facilitate the substantial reconstruction of housing owned and occupied by low- and moderate-income persons.
20. Technical assistance to increase the capacity of public or non-profit entities to carry out eligible neighborhood revitalization or economic development activities.
21. Housing services designed to assist homeowners, tenants, and others seeking to participate in eligible housing activities.
22. Assistance to institutions of higher education capable of implementing eligible activities.
23. Assistance to public and private organizations (for-profit as well as non-profit) to facilitate the development, stabilization, and expansion of micro-enterprises.
24. Assistance to facilitate and expand homeownership by subsidizing interest rates, financing acquisition, guaranteeing mortgages, paying up to 50% of down payments, or paying reasonable closing costs for income-eligible people.
25. Activities necessary to repair and operate housing units acquired through tax foreclosure to prevent abandonment and deterioration.

Grant Funds Recaptured and Other Recaptured Funds (Program Income)

CDBG Grants

Grant funds recaptured will remain with the grantee when the grantee demonstrates, as determined by the State, that recaptured funds can be distributed in a timely way to carry out the same activity for a specific project in accordance with a reuse plan that has been approved by the State.

The State of New Jersey interprets the phrase “the same eligible activity” to mean that the grantee must use the recaptured funds for the same activity for which it was originally funded, as taken from the list of eligible activities (see pages 8-10). For example, if the recaptured funds were derived from a loan to a private firm, it must be used again for loans to private firms. This does not mean that the income may only be used for an additional loan to the same firm. Nor can “continuing the activity” be so broadly defined as to mean use for the same general purpose, such as economic development.

The State will consider exceptions to this policy on a case-by-case basis. However, in the event a grantee fails to demonstrate an acceptable reuse of recaptured funds, the State will recapture program funds and distribute such funds in accordance with the provisions set forth in the applicable plan for **Distribution of Allocation**.

A recaptured funds statement must be included in the application documenting the balance of all previous grant funds recaptured by applicant as of the date of application. The Department reserves the right not to fund a new project should a substantial balance exist that is not obligated in a particular funding category.

Applicants are required to submit a summary statement each year on the balance of the revolving loan funds. The funds must be in separate accounts that are based on the original activity of the local program from the Housing Rehabilitation, Innovative Development, and Employment Development funds. Refer to the Small Cities Program Handbook, Grant Management Section, and Revolving Loan Fund Reporting Procedures for further guidance.

Displacement

The Small Cities CDBG Program will seek to minimize involuntary displacement of persons from their neighborhoods and homes and to mitigate the adverse effects of any such displacement on low-and moderate-income persons. The State will require applicants to assess all feasible alternatives to any activity resulting in involuntary displacement.

In the event that involuntary displacement is the only feasible alternative, the State will require that grantees comply with the requirements of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended; and the statutory amendments implementing regulations (CFR Part 24). In addition, the State will require that grantees comply with the requirements of the New Jersey Relocation Assistance Acts (P.L. 1971, c.362 and P.L. 1967, c. 79) and the New Jersey Regulations for Provision of Relocation Assistance (N.J.A.C. 5:40-1 et seq.).

Notice of Awards

DCA will announce the 2011 Small Cities CDBG awards on the Department and Small Cities' website page.

Bonus Awards

The Small Cities CDBG program will consider awards of additional funds throughout the year to those grantees whose production/performance and/or nature of activity warrant additional funding.

Attachment A

Small Cities Application Review Form, Final Plan SFY 2011

Applicant: _____ \$ _____ Requested

Project Type: Public Facilities Housing Rehabilitation Innovative Development Application No. _____

Threshold Requirements		Comment
Does the proposal meet one of the National Objectives set forth in the Housing and Community Development Act?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Benefit to Low/Moderate Income People <input type="checkbox"/> Prevention or Elimination of Slums & Blight <input type="checkbox"/> Urgent Need
Where Benefit to Low/Moderate Income people is claimed, indicate the source of the claim and whether the claim is Area-Wide or targeted at a Special Population or HR.		<input type="checkbox"/> Census or <input type="checkbox"/> Survey or <input type="checkbox"/> Housing Rehabilitation, HR <input type="checkbox"/> Area-Wide or <input type="checkbox"/> Special Population or <input type="checkbox"/> Housing Rehabilitation HR
For all proposals, provide the jurisdiction-wide population, number of low/ moderate income people and L/M percent. Provide the total number of people served and number of low/moderate income people served and the percent L/M.		Jurisdiction-wide (Municipal/County/Target) Number Benefiting: Population _____ Number of L/M _____ Percent L/M _____ Total number of people served by project: Population _____ Number of L/M _____ Percent L/M _____
Does the proposal address at least one of the State Program Objectives?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <small>Refer to 1 to 8 in page 2 of the Plan.</small>	
Are the proposed activities permitted by the Act?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Does the application include evidence of a public notice (display ad) in compliance with Citizen Participation Requirements?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Does the proposal address at least one of the areas identified in the applicant's Statement of Community Development and Housing Needs?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Does the application include evidence that the required local match will be met?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Does the application establish a revolving loan fund and include a provision in the policies and procedures manual? (HR programs – only)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Does the application include evidence that the required compliance items have been completed? Note: The application may be rejected if applicant failed to complete the required compliance items and the establishment of a revolving loan fund, HR programs - only.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Compliance Items: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Citizen Participation Resolution, also as above 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Fair Housing Resolution 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Matching Funds Certification 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Grant Management Plan 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Services Agreements (Drafts) 6 <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Review Record 7 <input type="checkbox"/> Policies & Procedures Manual (HR Only) 8 <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperative Agreement (ID Only - Draft)
Rated Criteria		Comment
What is the applicant's Municipal Distress Index rank (MDI)?	Score: _____ (100 Max.)	Score for MDI Rank: Refer to page 7 and the MDI Ranking Table.
Does the applicant claim "Readiness to Proceed"?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Score: _____ (100 Max.)	1 <input type="checkbox"/> A list of income-eligible housing units to be improved including biddable work write-ups (HR Only) 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Biddable Plans and Specifications (PF Only)
Is the applicant's balance ratio equal to or less than .50? Balance Ratio: Balance of all Small Cities CDBG grant funds prior three years & open = Bal. Total amount of all SC CDBG grant awards prior three years & open grants = Tot.	Calculation: Bal./Tot.= B. Ratio _____/_____ = _____ B. Ratio Score: _____ (100 Max.)	Score for Balance Ratio: • <input type="checkbox"/> Ratios of .50 or less will receive 100 points • <input type="checkbox"/> Ratios above .50 will receive zero points.

Attachment A

Small Cities Application Review Form, Final Plan SFY 2011 (Cont.)

Applicant: _____ \$ _____ Requested

Project Type: Public Facilities Housing Rehabilitation Innovative Development Application No. _____

Rated Criteria (Cont.)		Comment
<p>Describe the applicant's past grant management performance in terms of good, fair, and poor. Provide a brief justification for your score.</p> <p>Scoring: Good = 51 to 100 points, Fair = 1 to 50 points, Poor = 0 to - 100 points</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Good, _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Fair, _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Poor, _____</p> <p>Score: _____ (100 Max.)</p>	<p>Justification for score:</p>
Additional Policy Considerations		Comment
<p>Will other funds be leveraged (beyond the required match) if this grant is awarded?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>If yes, explain below.</p>
<p>Does the application include evidence that an experienced and competent management team will implement the project?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>If no, explain below.</p>
Application Scoring Summary		
<p>Does the application meet threshold requirements? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Rated criteria?</p> <p>Recaptured funds statement provided? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Does the applicant have a balance in prior awards? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Based on the above threshold requirements and rated criteria, do you find this application: Eligible? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Fundable? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Amount \$ _____</p>	<p>Total Score: _____</p> <p>Balance of Recaptured Funds \$ _____</p> <p>Open Balances of Prior Awards \$ _____</p> <p>Notes:</p>	
<p>Name of Reviewer _____</p> <p>Date _____</p>		

2011 NJ Eligible Small Cities Municipalities & Counties

(With Municipal Distress Index (MDI) Ranking)

Revised May 12, 2010

<u>Atlantic County</u>	<u>MDI Rank</u>	<u>Cumberland County</u>	<u>MDI Rank</u>
Egg Harbor City	73	Commercial Township	23
Hammonton Town	124	Deerfield Township	28
Port Republic	280	Downe Township	55
		Fairfield Township	83
		Greenwich Township	21
		Hopewell Township	184
		Lawrence Township	30
		Maurice River Township	49
		Shiloh Borough	44
		Stow Creek Township	100
		Upper Deerfield Township	80
<u>Burlington County</u>	<u>MDI Rank</u>	<u>Hunterdon County</u>	<u>MDI Rank</u>
Beverly City	36	Alexandria Township	504
Burlington City	101	Bethlehem Township	500
North Hanover Township	209	Bloomsbury Borough	380
Palmyra Borough	109	Califon Borough	484
Pemberton Borough	63	Clinton Town	498
Pemberton Township	76	Clinton Township	524
Riverside Township	96	Delaware Township	479
Wrightstown Borough	114	East Amwell Township	521
		Flemington Borough	219
		Franklin Township	357
		Frenchtown Borough	306
		Glen Gardner Borough	301
		Hampton Borough	233
		High Bridge Borough	325
		Holland Township	375
		Kingwood Township	356
		Lambertville City	418
		Lebanon Borough	511
		Lebanon Township	403
		Milford Borough	436
		Raritan Township	524
		Readington Township	515
		Stockton Borough	458
		Tewksbury Township	510
		Union Township	541
		West Amwell Township	416
<u>Camden County</u>	<u>MDI Rank</u>		
Gloucester City	15		
Pine Valley Borough	473		
Tavistock Borough	557		
<u>Cape May County</u>	<u>MDI Rank</u>		
Avalon Borough	421		
Cape May City	202		
Cape May Point Borough	343		
Dennis Township	259		
Lower Township	223		
Middle Township	144		
North Wildwood City	170		
Sea Isle City	370		
Stone Harbor Borough	455		
Upper Township	350		
West Cape May Borough	309		
West Wildwood Borough	310		
Wildwood City	29		
Wildwood Crest	254		
Woodbine Borough	86		

Mercer County**MDI Rank**

East Windsor Township	342
Hightstown Borough	90
Hopewell Borough	431
Hopewell Township	531
Lawrence Township	472
Pennington Borough	438
Princeton Borough	374
Princeton Township	446
Washington Township	556
West Windsor Township	535

Monmouth County**MDI Rank**

Little Silver Borough	520
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Morris County**MDI Rank**

Dover Town	27
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Passaic County**MDI Rank**

North Haledon Borough	358
Totowa Borough	407

Salem County**MDI Rank**

Alloway Township	347
Carneys Point Township	72
Elmer Borough	118
Elsinboro Township	167
Lower Alloways Creek Twp.	181
Mannington Township	99
Oldmans Township	162
Penns Grove Borough	6
Pennsville Township	215
Pilesgrove Township	304
Pittsgrove Township	169
Quinton Township	58
Salem City	34
Upper Pittsgrove Township	262
Woodstown Borough	69

Sussex County**MDI Rank**

Andover Borough	269
Andover Township	302
Branchville Borough	334
Byram Township	437
Frankford Township	326
Franklin Borough	158
Fredon Township	385
Green Township	423
Hamburg Borough	267
Hampton Township	409
Hardyston Township	320
Hopatcong Borough	298
Lafayette Township	316
Montague Township	266
Newton Town	110
Ogdensburg Borough	250
Sparta Township	442
Sandyston Township	292
Stanhope Borough	225
Stillwater Township	187
Sussex Borough	57
Vernon Township	369
Walpack Township	195
Wantage Township	311

Warren County**MDI Rank**

Allamuchy Township	401
Alpha Borough	125
Belvidere Town	75
Blairstown Township	379
Franklin Township	244
Frelinghuysen Township	389
Greenwich Township	360
Hackettstown Town	153
Hardwick Township	353
Harmony Township	196
Hope Township	235
Independence Township	383
Knowlton Township	210
Liberty Township	303
Lopatcong Borough	287
Mansfield Township	242
Oxford Township	87
Phillipsburg Town	24

Warren County - Continued**MDI Rank**

Pohatcong Township	201
Washington Borough	135
Washington Township	340
White Township	327

Eligible Counties

MDI Rank

Cape May County	262	excluding Ocean City
Cumberland County	56	excluding Bridgeton, Millville, Vineland
Hunterdon County	427	
Mercer County	373	excluding Ewing, Hamilton, City of Trenton
Salem County	151	
Sussex County	290	
Warren County	248	