What is the Residential Public Infrastructure Program?
The Residential Public Infrastructure Grant Program helps local governments build, maintain, improve, and expand water and sanitary sewer systems in low- and moderate-income communities. It is funded through the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Infrastructure Grants
Communities receive grants up to $500,000 to improve the safety and reliability of drinking water and sanitary sewer systems. An additional $100,000 is available per project for on-site improvements.

Community and Project Eligibility
- Non-entitlement counties, cities, and villages
  - A non-entitlement classification indicates that the local government does not qualify to receive Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) directly from HUD
- Projects must serve areas that are primarily residential
- Eligible on-site improvements: service laterals, septic tanks, well abandonment, and Community Development Block Grant-eligible-related fees

Exceptions to Eligibility
- Counties must apply for unincorporated areas or villages that have not demonstrated the capacity to operate a public water or wastewater system
- Applications for primarily on-site funding will not be considered

Application Process
Communities must complete a letter of intent before submitting a full application. The letter of intent must include:
- A brief description of the project and project area
- A summary of funding committed to the project
- A copy of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Permit to Install or Plan Approval
- A brief description of the community’s current water and wastewater systems
- Contact information for the community’s Chief Elected Official; and
- Contact information for the community’s grant writer.

The Office of Community Development reviews the letters of intent to determine which projects should complete full applications. Communities may apply for multiple projects during a program year.

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