**Excerpt of HUD Appendix A**

**CDBG MATRIX CODES – Public Services**

# CDBG Matrix Codes by Category

Matrix codes are listed here by category so you can quickly review the available choices.

**Public Services**

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| 05A | Senior Services | 05N | Services for Abused and Neglected |
| 05B | Handicapped Services | 05O | Mental Health Services |
| 05C | Legal Services | 05P | Screening for Lead Poisoning |
| 05D | Youth Services | 05Q | Subsistence Payments |
| 05E  05F  05G | Transportation Services  Substance Abuse Services Services for Battered and Abused | 05R  05S | Homeownership Assistance (not direct)  Rental Housing Subsidies |
| 05H | Spouses Employment Training | 05T  05U | Security Deposits Housing Counseling |
| 05I | Crime Awareness/Prevention | 05V | Neighborhood Cleanups |
| 05J  05K | Fair Housing Activities (subject to Public Services cap)  Tenant/Landlord Counseling | 05W  03T | Food Banks  Operating Costs of Homeless/AIDS Patients Programs |
| 05L  05M | Child Care Services Health Services | 05 | Other Public Services |

Definitions of the matrix codes are provided in the table that follows.

# MATRIX CODE DEFINITIONS

Matrix codes are used to indicate—but do not establish—activity eligibility. An activity must be eligible in accordance with the regulations at 570.201–570.207. Grantees need to refer to the regulations to determine an activity’s eligibility; the codes defined below are used in IDIS OnLine chiefly to categorize activities for reporting purposes.

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| **05A** | **Senior Services**  Services for the elderly. 05A may be used for an activity that serves both the elderly and the handicapped provided it is not intended primarily to serve persons with handicaps. If it is, use 05B instead. |
| **05B** | **Handicapped Services**  Services for the handicapped, regardless of age. |
| **05C** | **Legal Services**  Services providing legal aid to low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons.  *If the only legal service provided is for the settlement of tenant/landlord disputes, use 05K.* |
| **05D** | **Youth Services**  Services for young people age 13 to 19 that include, for example, recreational services limited to teenagers and teen counseling programs. Also use 05D for counseling programs that target teens but include counseling for the family as well.  *For services for children age 12 and under, use 05L; for services for abused and neglected children, use 05N.* |
| **05E** | **Transportation Services**  General transportation services.  *Transportation services for a specific client group should use the matrix code for that client group. For example, use 05A for transportation services for the elderly.* |
| **05F** | **Substance Abuse Services**  Substance abuse recovery programs and substance abuse prevention/education activities. If the services are provided for a specific client group, the matrix code for that client group may be used instead. For example, substance abuse services that target teenagers may be coded either 05D or 05F. |
| **05G** | **Services for Battered and Abused Spouses**  Services for battered and abused spouses and their families.  *For services limited to abused and neglected children, use 05N.* |
| **05H** | **Employment Training**  Assistance to increase self-sufficiency, including literacy, independent living skills, and job training.  *For activities providing training for permanent jobs with specific businesses, use 18A.* |
| **05I** | **Crime Awareness/Prevention**  Promotion of crime awareness and prevention, including crime prevention education programs and paying for security guards. |
| **05J** | **Fair Housing Activities (subject to Public Services cap)**  Fair housing services (e.g. counseling on housing discrimination) that meet a national objective.  *For fair housing services activities carried out as part of general program administration (and thus not required to meet a national objective), use 21D.* |
| **05K** | **Tenant/Landlord Counseling**  Counseling to help prevent or settle disputes between tenants and landlords. |
| **05L** | **Child Care Services**  Services that will benefit children (generally under age 13), including parenting skills classes.  *For services exclusively for abused and neglected children, use 05N.* |
| **05M** | **Health Services**  Services addressing the physical health needs of residents of the community.  *For mental health services, use 05O.* |
| **05N** | **Services for Abused and Neglected Children**  Daycare and other services exclusively for abused and neglected children. |
| **05O** | **Mental Health Services**  Services addressing the mental health needs of residents of the community. |
| **05P** | **Screening for Lead Poisoning**  Activities undertaken primarily to provide screening for lead poisoning.  *For lead poisoning testing/abatement activities, use 14I.* |
| **05Q** | **Subsistence Payments**  One-time or short-term (no more than three months) emergency payments on behalf of individuals or families, generally for the purpose of preventing homelessness.  Examples include utility payments to prevent cutoff of service and rent/mortgage payments to prevent eviction. |
| **05R** | **Homeownership Assistance (not direct)**  Homeowner downpayment assistance provided as a public service. If housing counseling is provided to those applying for downpayment assistance, the counseling is considered part of the 05R activity.  Assistance provided under 05R must meet the low/mod housing national objective. Therefore, unless the assistance is provided by a CBDO in an NRSA, it is subject to the public service cap and only low/mod households may be assisted. If the assistance is provided by a CBDO in an NRSA, the housing units for which CDBG funds are obligated in a program year may be aggregated and treated as a single structure for purposes of meeting the housing national objective (that is, only 51% of the units must be occupied by LMI households).  *For more extensive types of homeownership assistance provided under authority of the National Affordable Housing Act, use code 13.* |
| **05S** | **Rental Housing Subsidies**  Tenant subsidies exclusively for rental payments for more than three months. Activities providing this form of assistance must be carried out by CBDOs. |
| **05T** | **Security Deposits**  Tenant subsidies exclusively for payment of security deposits. |
| **05U** | **Housing Counseling**  Housing counseling for renters, homeowners, and/or potential new homebuyers that is provided as an independent public service (i.e., not as part of another eligible housing activity). |
| **05V** | **Neighborhood Cleanups**  One-time or short-term efforts to remove trash and debris from neighborhoods. Examples of legitimate uses of this code include neighborhood cleanup campaigns and graffiti removal. |
| **05W** | **Food Banks**  Costs associated with the operation of food banks, community kitchens, and food pantries, such as staff costs, supplies, utilities, maintenance, and insurance. |
| **05** | **Other Public Services**  Do not use this code for public services activities unless an activity does not fall under a more specific 05\* code.  An example of a legitimate use of this code is referrals to social services. |

**Appendix B**

**NATIONAL OBJECTIVE CODES**

The national objective codes (NOCs) are listed below with descriptions and applicable CFR citations. The NOCs that may be used with each matrix code are identified in Appendix C.

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| **NOC** | **Description** | **24 CFR Citation** |
| LMA | **Low/mod area benefit**  Activities providing benefits that are available to all the residents of a particular area, at least 51% of whom are low/mod income. The service area of an LMA activity is identified by the grantee, and need not coincide with Census tracts or other officially recognized boundaries. | 570.208(a)(1) |
| LMC | **Low/mod limited clientele benefit**  Activities that benefit a limited clientele, at least 51% of whom are low/mod income. LMC activities provide benefits to a specific group of persons rather than to all the residents of a particular area. | 570.208(a)(2) |
| LMH | **Low/mod housing benefit**  Activities undertaken to provide or improve permanent residential structures that will be occupied by low/mod income households. | 570.208(a)(3) |
| URG | **Urgent need**  Activities that alleviate emergency conditions of recent origin which pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community; eligible only if the grantee cannot finance the activity on its own and no other sources of funding are available. | 570.208(c) |

**Appendix C**

**MATRIX CODE/NATIONAL OBJECTIVE/ ACCOMPLISHMENT TYPE COMBINATIONS**

The matrix code and national objective that are assigned to an activity determine which accomplishment type may be used.

Allowing only certain accomplishment types for a matrix code and national objective combination enables HUD to obtain more uniform data for reporting and for assessing program performance.

| **Matrix Code** | | | **National Objective** | **Accomplishment Type** | |
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| 05 | Other Public Services | | LMA, LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05A | Senior Services | | LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05B | Handicapped Services | | LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05C | Legal Services | | LMA, LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05D | Youth Services | | LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05E | Transportation Services | | LMA, LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05F | Substance Abuse Services | | LMA, LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05G | Services for Battered and Abused Spouses | | LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05H | Employment Training | | LMA, LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05I | Crime Awareness/Prevention | | LMA, LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05J | Fair Housing Activities (subject to Public Services cap) | | LMA, LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05K | Tenant/Landlord Counseling | | LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05L | | Child Care Services | LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05M | | Health Services | LMA, LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05N | | Services for Abused and Neglected Children | LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05O | | Mental Health Services | LMA, LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05P | | Screening for Lead Poisoning | LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05Q | | Subsistence Payments | LMC, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 01 | People |
| 05R | | Homeownership Assistance (not direct) | LMH\*, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 04 | Households |
| 05S | | Rental Housing Subsidies | LMH\*, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 04 | Households |
| 05T | | Security Deposits | LMH\*, SBA, URG, LMCSV | 04 | Households |
| 05U | | Housing Counseling | LMC | 04 | Households |
| 05V | | Neighborhood Cleanups | LMA, LMCSV, SBA, URG | 01 | People |
| 05W | | Food Banks | LMA, LMC, LMCSV, SBA, URG | 01 | People |