**Project Evaluation and Selection**

The Clinton County Board of Commissioners will select projects for county CDBG funding based on the evaluation criteria and selection process outlined below.

**Evaluation Criteria**

1. **Eligibility and compliance with CDBG requirements** – Project activities must be eligible and meet all CDBG requirements, particularly benefit to 51% low-moderate income persons.

2. **Comparative need and benefit** – Projects with greater needs will receive more favorable review. Projects that provide as complete as possible solution to problems or needs will receive more favorable review.

3. **Leverage of other funds** – Projects that utilize other funds (federal, state, local, private) and public/private joint efforts to more completely address the problem or need will receive more favorable review.

4. **Community benefit** – Projects that advance the community livability strategies and meet the objectives of the Clinton County Comprehensive Plan will receive more favorable review.

5. **Regional involvement** – Projects that encourage regional/multi-municipal cooperation in addressing the problem or need will receive more favorable review.