

**NOTICE OF ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC REVIEW TO SOLICIT INPUT
FOR CHIMNEY ROCK VILLAGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-DISASTER
RECOVERY (CDBG-DR) COMMERCIAL DISTRICT REVITALIZATION PROGRAM
APPLICATIONS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Chimney Rock Village has prepared applications for the North Carolina Renew CDBG-DR Commercial District Revitalization (CDR) Program. The proposed applications range in their requests from \$500,000 to \$10,000,000; totaling \$33,256,210 for the following proposed types of activities:

- Mixed-use developments including workforce housing, retail/restaurant space, parking, business development support, business entrepreneurial and incubator space intended to restore and enhance visitor infrastructure, improve access to commercial areas, strengthen connectivity between destinations, support small business recovery, replacing infrastructure and economic assets lost, and creating new visitor experiences following Hurricane Helene impact.
- Reconstruction and stabilization of flood damaged retaining walls, embankments, roadway support systems and other damaged infrastructure in the Main Street area; downtown commercial corridor revitalization initiative focused on improving walkability, accessibility, stormwater management, and visitor including sidewalks, street furnishings, streetscapes, landscaping, pedestrian amenities, ADA enhancements, curb and gutter improvements, parking realignment, and commercial corridor activation supporting business recovery and tourism.
- Restoring safe public access and addressing infrastructure issues on the Rocky Broad Riverwalk; including ADA improvements, development of a Riverwalk Plaza to support river access and generate economic activity; conversion of an existing gravel pit into a multi-use recreational destination to support tourism; comprehensive river restoration of the Rocky Broad River including connection to the Rob Brothers recreation area, slope stabilization, revegetation, erosion control, etc.
- Comprehensive tourism recovery initiative in West Village intended to restore and enhance visitor infrastructure, improve access to commercial areas, ADA and walkability improvements, streetscape, corridor activation, strengthen connectivity between destinations, support small business recovery, and create new visitor experiences following Hurricane Helene impacts. The proposed CDBG-DR activities will not result in displacement of community residents.

The Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery funds are provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the Commercial District Revitalization grant program is managed by the N.C. Commerce Division of Community Revitalization. The purpose of this grant program is to assist in the revitalization of Helene-impacted commercial areas located within State- and HUD-Identified Most Impacted and Distressed Counties. The minimum grant amount is \$500,000 and the maximum grant amount is \$10,000,000. Grant applications will be submitted to support the recovery and revitalization of storm-impacted commercial areas through a range of program eligible activities, including, but not limited to, design and construction of pedestrian infrastructure, drainage and related infrastructure improvements, and targeted remediation of damaged properties. Grant activities may include structural stabilization, façade repair, debris removal, and accessibility upgrades to address code deficiencies, eliminate blight, and restore safe, functional conditions that support business activity and economic recovery, in accordance with CDBG-DR and state program requirements. More information about the Notice of Funding Opportunity can be found on the State's website: <https://www.commercerecovery.nc.gov/renew-nc-programs/commercial-districtrevitalization-program>

Additional Public Hearing

Chimney Rock Village will hold a virtual public hearing on Wednesday September 9, 2026 at 1:00pm. This virtual hearing can be accessed through the following link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85860414578?pwd=tM5uJ5Pb5dnPTbc4WifBKbFFdFlsYG.1>. The purpose of the additional hearing is to provide residents and other interested parties with another opportunity to review and comment on the proposed projects, activities, locations, funding requests, anticipated benefits, and potential effects of the projects.

Comments received during the hearing or submitted in writing will be considered as part of the application review. The Village may update or amend its applications in response to the comments received, as appropriate.

Public Review Period

Chimney Rock Village will also solicit community input and stakeholder feedback with a 10-day public comment period to receive input on proposed projects, identify potential additional eligible projects and ensure funds are directed toward the most critical unmet recovery needs. The public comment period will begin on August 29, 2026 and run through September 9, 2026. You may direct written comments, complaints or grievances to Chimney Rock Village, Attn: Stephen Duncan, Village Administrator, 109 Terrace Drive, Chimney Rock, NC 28720 or tevierides@aol.com. When submitting comments, please include reference to the **“Commercial District Revitalization Program.”**

Persons interested in attending the hearings or reviewing documents who require interpretive assistance (i.e. – hearing impaired or non-English speaking), or other accommodation, shall notify the Chimney Rock Village by Stephen Duncan, Village Administrator. Requests for accommodations should be submitted by individuals at least 48 hours before the scheduled meeting time.

Esta información está disponible en español o en otros idiomas a petición. Para solicitar servicios de interpretación, materiales traducidos u otra asistencia, comuníquese con Stephen Duncan, Administrador del Pueblo, al correo electrónico tevierides@aol.com.