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COMPUTER SEARCH OF FEDERAL GRANTS AND ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE TO CITIES

MTAS has access to the Federal Assistance Program Retrieval System (FAPRS) through the Agricultural Cooperative Extension Service on the UTK campus. MTAS consultants were advised several months ago of this service and some use has been made of it. However, some cities may not be aware of the FAPRS system and that it is available without charge through MTAS -- this may be especially pertinent in view of indications that some entrepreneurs are offering the service to cities at substantial charges.

Any city desiring to secure up-to-date information on federal grants and other assistance may contact an MTAS consultant and request a report from the FAPRS system (the MTAS consultant can help in determining which sub-categories appear to be relevant to a city's needs). Information is recorded in the system and will be reported on computer printouts, by references to program identifications in the "Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance," under the following classifications:

CATEGORY

1. Community Facilities
2. Business and Industrial Development
3. Planning and Technical Assistance
4. Housing

SUBCATEGORY

Community Facilities

1. Community Water Supply
2. Community Sewage Treatment
3. Solid Waste Management
4. Public Buildings
5. Hospitals and Health Related Facilities
6. Recreation
7. Land Acquisition
8. Public Roads and Bridges
9. Utilities
10. Historic Preservation
11. Federal Surplus Property
12. Flood Prevention and Control
13. Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Relief
14. Fire Prevention

Business and Industrial Development

1. Operating Capital Assistance
2. Construction and Equipment Assistance
3. Small Business
4. Site Acquisition
5. Environmental Health & Safety Compliance
6. Economic Injury and Natural Disaster
7. Minority Business Enterprise

Planning and Technical Assistance

1. Data and Information
2. Community Facilities
3. Business & Industrial Development
4. Natural Resources
5. Agriculture
6. Human Resources
7. Transportation
8. Education
9. Housing

Housing

1. Construction or Purchase of Structure for Private Housing
2. Construction or Purchase of Structures for Public Housing
3. Repair-Improvement-or Rehabilitation of Housing Structures
4. Rental or Leasing Supplements-Mortgage Assistance Payments, etc.
5. Land Acquisition
6. Site Preparation for Housing
7. Property or Mortgage Insurance

ENTITY

1. An Official Unit of Government
2. A Private Nonprofit Entity
3. A Public Nonprofit Entity
4. An Indian Tribe
5. A Private Individual

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