



Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority

## Ramp Up Indiana Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

### APPLICATION PROCESS & AWARD TERMS

- **What is the due date for applications?**

There is no set deadline for application submission. Applications are accepted on a rolling, non-competitive basis and are reviewed first come, first served.

- **Can we apply for more than \$50,000 if we are serving multiple counties?**

No, \$50,000 is the maximum grant request no matter the target area size. Applicants may only submit one application at a time.

- **What is the award timeline for a Ramp Up grant?**

Ramp Up grants must be completed within 18 months from the award date. Upon successful completion and close-out of a Ramp Up grant, the awardee may be eligible to apply for a second round of funding.

### ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- **If our organization installs pre-built ramps (e.g., aluminum or steel ramps), does the ramp belong to the organization or to the homeowner?**

The ramp belongs to the homeowner and would not be reclaimed by the non-profit organization.

- **Can Ramp Up funds be used for interior accessibility, including a ramp installed inside of the house between rooms?**

No. The ramp must serve an exterior entrance into the home. The Ramp Up Manual Part 3.2 Ineligible Activities states that “accessibility work on the interior of the home” is ineligible.

- **Would installing a ramp from an attached garage into a home be considered “interior” work and therefore ineligible?**

No. Since the ramp would still be serving an exterior door into and out of the house, this work would be considered eligible under Ramp Up.

- **Is the demolition/new construction or rehab of a current ramp an eligible activity?**

Yes, if the ramp has demonstrated safety or functional issues, it can be rehabbed or demolished and replaced.

- **If a homeowner receives assistance through the Ramp Up program, would they be eligible for Owner-Occupied Repair assistance in the future, and vice versa?**

Yes, that homeowner would be eligible for CDBG OOR because there are no liens or affordability period requirements with Ramp Up. However, IHCDA is not currently running a CDBG OOR program.

- **Can we build ramps for renters or landlords?**

No, only owner-occupied homes are eligible through Ramp Up.