CITY OF RIALTO

FY 2026-2027

CDBG PUBLIC SERVICES APPLICATION

City of Rialto

Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department

Sensory Room

I. APPLICANT AND PROJECT/ACTIVITY INFORMATION

Legal Name of Organization/Agency	City of Rialto - Parks, Recreation, & Community Services Department
Program/Activity Title	Sensory Room
Program Physical Address	214 N Palm Ave
City, State, ZIP	RIalto, CA, 92376
Name of Applicant Contact	Sean Pickel
Title	Daycare Site Supervisor
Mailing Address	214 N Palm Ave
City, State, ZIP	Rialto Ca 92376
Email	spickel@rialtoca.gov
Phone	(909) 421-4949
Will the proposed project provide services on-site in Rialto?	☑ Yes ☐ No

Type of Organization	☐ Non-Profit ■ Government ☐ For-Profit
Tax ID	95-6000768
Are you a Women owned, or a majority Women operated organization?	☐ Yes ■ No ☐ Decline to state
Are you a Minority owned, or a majority Minority operated organization?	☐ Yes ■ No ☐ Decline to state
If yes, please select which category or categories is most applicable.	☐ White ☐ Black/ African American ☐ Asian ☐ American Indian/ Alaskan Native ☐ Asian & White ☐ Black African American & White ☐ Other
Agency UEI Number	
Name of Workers' Compensation Insurance (Government exempt)	
Coverage Amount ($)	
Expiration Date	
Name of General Liability and Property Damage Insurance (Government exempt)	
Coverage Amount ($)	
Expiration Date	

Amount of CDBG Funds Requested ($)	$30,000	
Total Number of Rialto individuals to be served	100	
Type of Beneficiary (select one)	■ Persons	■ Households
Groups that the Program/Activity will Serve (Check all that apply)	■ Youth ■ Adults ■ Seniors ☐ Homeless Persons ■ Disabled Persons ☐ Battered Spouses	☐ Abused/Neglected Children ☐ Households ■ Community ☐ Housing Units ☐ Public Facilities ☐ Businesses

II. CDBG ELIGIBILITY

CDBG Eligible Activity Categories Please choose the CDBG Eligible Activity Category for your proposed project.	▣ **Public Service.** Improves community public services and facilities, including but not limited to those concerned with employment, fair housing and homeownership, homelessness, crime prevention, childcare, health, drug abuse, education or recreational needs. ☐ **Public Facilities/Improvements** ☐ **Housing/Special Activities by Subrecipients** ☐ **Economic Development** ☐ **Acquisition and/or rehabilitation of real property** ☐ **Other.** Click to specify
CDBG National Objective Compliance Your proposed project/activity must meet at least one of HUD's CDBG National Objectives. Please check only one category under which the project best qualifies.	▣ Benefits Low and Moderate Income (LMI) Individuals/Households. ☐ Addresses the prevention or elimination of slums or blight.
Meetings National Objectives Check one statements that describe how your proposed project/activity meets one of the National Objectives above:	☐ **Low/Moderate Area Benefit** – The project serves only a limited area which is proven by current Census data or survey to be a low-income area. By choosing this category you must be able to prove your project/activity primarily benefits low/moderate income households. ▣ **Low/Moderate Limited Clientele** – The project/activity benefits a specific group of people (rather than all areas in a particular area), at least 51% of whom are low/moderate income persons. Income verification for clients must be provided for this category. The following groups are presumed to be low/moderate: abused children, elderly persons (62 or older), battered spouses, homeless persons, adults meeting the Census definition of severely disabled, illiterate adults, persons living with AIDS and migrant farm workers. ☐ **Slum or Blight on an Area Basis** – Area basis activities must be within an officially designated area as defined under State or local law, and addresses one or more of the conditions that contributed to the deterioration of the area.

III. PROJECT NARRATIVE

PROJECT/PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Provide a brief description of the service, activity, or project that you plan to carry out with the requested funds.

The City of Rialto Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department proposes expanding the Sensory Room program by incorporating structured, gross-motor, movement-based sensory activities. This enhancement will create a safe, controlled, and inclusive recreational environment where people of all ages can engage in interactive physical experiences designed to support coordination, balance, body awareness, reaction skills, and emotional regulation. The expanded space will intentionally integrate movement with sensory support to assist community members who benefit from physical engagement as part of their self-regulation and developmental growth. The program will continue to serve the community enrolled in City programs, including those with developmental differences such as autism, ADHD, anxiety, and sensory processing challenges. By combining structured physical activity with sensory-informed design, the project strengthens inclusive recreational services for low- and moderate-income families in the City of Rialto.

COMMUNITY NEED

Does your proposed project or activity address a current gap in community service or needs?

There is an increasing need in Rialto for inclusive recreational spaces that support both sensory regulation and structured physical activity. While traditional recreation programs offer sports and general play, there are limited environments specifically designed for people who require sensory-informed movement to regulate emotions and remain engaged. Family members with developmental or sensory challenges often find that typical recreational settings can be overstimulating or unsafe for their needs. As a result, many must seek specialized services outside the city, which may be financially or logistically inaccessible. This project addresses a clear gap in community-based services by providing a structured, sensory-informed space within a City-operated recreation facility. The expansion ensures that those who require movement for regulation have access to a supportive and inclusive environment within their own community.

BENEFIT

Explain how the project or program benefits low-income individuals.

Low-income families and communities frequently face financial barriers when seeking specialized sensory or adaptive recreation programs. Private therapy-based services and specialty movement programs can be costly and are often not covered by insurance.

By expanding the Sensory Room, the City will provide accessible movement-based sensory experiences at little to no cost to income-eligible families. This reduces financial and transportation barriers while promoting emotional regulation, physical development, social interaction, and improved readiness for school and community participation.

The program supports equitable access to developmental resources and strengthens the overall well-being of children and families in low- and moderate-income households.

COLLABORATION

Has your organization/agency developed this project in collaboration with other groups/organizations? If so, please list the groups/organizations and describe their roles in this project.

The City of Rialto Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department will lead the implementation of this project. While the department administers the program directly, staff regularly engage with the community, such as local schools, families, and family development professionals, to inform programming and ensure services align with community needs. Ongoing collaboration and feedback from parents and educators help guide adjustments to the space and programming. The City will continue exploring opportunities to strengthen referral networks and community awareness as the program expands.

SIMILAR RESOURCES

Is a similar service provided by another agency/organization? If so, how will your program/activity differ?

Some neighboring communities offer limited sensory-friendly events or adaptive programming; however, these services are typically offered on a limited basis and are located outside the City of Rialto. The City's Sensory Room differs in that it provides consistent, ongoing access within a community recreation setting. The proposed expansion further distinguishes the program by integrating structured gross motor and movement-based activities in a controlled, inclusive environment specifically designed to meet a wide range of sensory and developmental needs.

OUTREACH

Discuss outreach efforts for the proposed service/activity/project.

The City will implement a multi-channel outreach strategy to ensure awareness among low- and moderate-income families. Outreach efforts will include the City website, social media platforms, program flyers distributed through schools and community centers, and engagement at city-wide events. Targeted outreach will focus on neighborhoods that qualify under Low/Moderate Area Benefit guidelines to ensure equitable access. Direct communication with families enrolled in City programs will further support participation and program visibility.

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Provide a work plan for the implementation and completion of services and activities to meet your goals during the fiscal year. Identify activities and completion dates below.

Milestone	Start Date	Completion Date
Purchase Equipment for Room	When Funding awarded	Ongoing
Installation	November	November
Outreach	November	Ongoing
Tentative start date with new equipment	December	Ongoing

OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS

List all other funding sources that will be used to undertake the proposed project/program and status of each source.

Source Name	Committed or Pending	Fund Amount ($)	Current Status
City of Rialto	Committed	$42,662	

IV. PUBLIC SERVICE BUDGET

The use of CDBG funds should be in direct relation to the scope of work. The funds requested through CDBG should be utilized to provide a direct benefit or service to low or moderate-income residents of the City of Rialto. Adequate documentation must be provided by the organization to support the costs associated with the services provided. For Personnel Costs, salaries, and fringe benefits charged to the CDBG program activity, a reimbursement request should include a copy of the timesheet, activity log, and proof of payment, such as a copy of the employee paycheck, canceled check, or payroll journal. The timesheet must reflect the hours charged to the CDBG activity for each employee. Percentage allocation is allowed but must be approved by the City, in advance. It should be noted that vacation and sick time are not reimbursable for staff who do not work full-time on the CDBG program activity.

Operating costs such as office supplies, equipment, printing, rent/lease, utilities, insurance, and telephone are allowed, provided they are related to the CDBG program activity. For rent/lease reimbursement, a copy of the rental/lease agreement should be submitted with the first invoice, and any updated agreements should be submitted thereafter. All reimbursement requests must include a copy of the invoice/statement/bills, including summary pages with detailed expenses outlined and proof of payment, such as a copy of the canceled check, bank, or credit card statement.

The City has the right to request additional documentation needed to determine reimbursement eligibility to comply with CDBG. Any changes to the budget must be approved by the City through a budget amendment.

PROPOSED PUBLIC SERVICE BUDGET

Scope of work and use of CDBG funds must be directly related. The CDBG funds requested must be used to provide a direct benefit/service to low- or moderate-income residents of the City of Rialto. Proof of income eligibility and current residence must be acquired from all recipients. Adequate documentation must also be provided by the Agency to support costs associated with the services provided. This includes such support as timesheets to demonstrate the amount of time spent on each service, cancelled checks to demonstrate payment, client intake forms to demonstrate who received the service and any other documentation deemed necessary to show a direct correlation between the service provided and the costs associated with them.

Please use the following format to present your proposed line-item budget:

Column A: List all items for which you anticipate the need for CDBG funds during FY 2026-2027.
Column B: Provide the projected request for CDBG funds.
Column C: Provide the total of other funds to be used.
Column D: List other funding sources. Projects relying solely on CDBG funds are INELGIBLE.
Column E: List the total budget for each line item. Please round your request to the nearest ten.

Column A	Column B	Column C	Column D	Column E
BUDGET ITEM	**CDBG REQUEST ($)**	**OTHER SOURCES ($)**	**NAMES OF OTHER SOURCES**	**TOTAL BUDGET ($)**
PERSONNEL *				
Sensory Room Staff		$42,662	City of Rialto	$42,662
Total Personnel:				
Non-Personnel				
Rent/Lease (Program Only)				
Supplies	$30,000			$30,000
Utilities				
Equipment				
Services				
Printing				
Admission/Enrollment				
Other:				
Other:				
Other:				
Other:				
Other:				
Other:				
Total Non-Personnel:	$30,000			$30,000
TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET:	$30,000	$42,662	City of Rialto	$72,662

*Personnel – If utilizing percentage of allocation, complete the following table.

***CDBG-FUNDED PERSONNEL- PERCENTAGE OF ALLOCATION**

☐ Check this box if not using percentage of allocation.

<u>Any changes to the percentage of allocation must be approved by the City through a budget amendment.</u>

Name & Job Titles	Salary/ Hourly	Time Position is Dedicated to CDBG Activity (%)	CDBG Budget Amount
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

KEY PERSONNEL DUTIES

Provide a list of the duties of key personnel listed above.

Job Title	Duties
Daycare Site Supervisor	oversee the safe and effective use of the space, and ensure a positive, calming environment tailored to meet each user's sensory needs.
Instructor	ensure the sensory room is safe, clean, and well-maintained with appropriate sensory stimuli.
Instructor Aide	ensure the sensory room is safe, clean, and well-maintained with appropriate sensory stimuli.

COST RATIONALE

If you consider it necessary, explain why your program/activity costs are reasonable.

The requested $30,000 is reasonable given the scope of expanding the Sensory Room to incorporate structured gross motor and interactive movement-based programming. Funding will support the development of a safe, durable, and adaptable environment capable of serving a broad range of individuals with varying sensory and physical needs.

The investment reflects long-term community benefit, as the expanded space will be used across multiple program cycles and serve numerous low- and moderate-income families and communities. The costs are directly aligned with enhancing inclusive recreational services and addressing an identified service gap within the community.

PROGRAM CHANGES

If you received CDBG funding last year, has there been an increase in service that you will provide during FY 2026-2027? Explain why there is a new demand or an unmet need in the community for this service.

Being previously funded, the Sensory Room initially focused on calming, tactile, visual, and auditory sensory experiences. For FY 2026/2027, the City proposes expanding services to include structured gross motor and movement-based components.

This represents an increase in service delivery by broadening developmental supports and responding to increased demand from families seeking inclusive, movement-integrated recreational programming. The expansion reflects evolving community needs and strengthens the overall impact of the program.

IMPACT OF NO CDBG FUNDING

Describe the effect of partial or no CDBG funding on your project/activity.

If partial or no CDBG funding is awarded, the City would need to delay or significantly scale back the gross motor expansion of the Sensory Room. This would limit the program's ability to provide structured, sensory-informed physical activity to low-income youth.

Without full funding, fewer participants would benefit from the expanded services, and the City's ability to address increasing demand for inclusive recreational programming would be reduced. Full funding ensures timely implementation and maximizes equitable access for low- and moderate-income families.

I. CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

Federal, State, and City law prohibits employees and public officials of the City of Rialto from participating on behalf of the City in any transaction in which they have a financial interest.

The purpose of this questionnaire is to assess potential conflicts of interest involving the applicant, applicant's staff, or applicant's Board of Directors. Additionally, please complete and sign the conflict form, Attachment A.

1. Is there any member(s) of the applicant's staff or governing body who is or has been, within one year of the date of this questionnaire, (a) a City Employee or (b) a City Councilmember?

   ■ Yes ☐ No

   If yes, please list the name(s) and information requested below:

Name of Person	Job Title	Relationship	City Department
Sean Pickel	Daycare Site Supervisor	Self	Parks, Rec, & Com srvs

2. Will the CDBG funds requested by the applicant be used to award a subcontract to any individual(s) or business affiliate(s) who is currently or has been, within one year of the date of this questionnaire, (a) a City Employee or Consultant or (b) a City Councilmember?

   ☐ Yes ■ No

   If yes, please list the name(s) and information requested below:

Name of Person	Job Title	Relationship	City Department
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

3. Are there any member(s) of the applicant's staff or member(s) of the applicant's Board of Directors or other governing body who are business partners or family members of (a) a City Employee or (b) a City Councilmember?

   ☐ Yes ■ No

   If yes, please list the name(s) and information requested below:

Name of Person	Relationship	Title	If Family, Indicate Relationship
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

II. SIGNATURES

Authorized Signature

To the best of my knowledge, the information provided on this application is true, and I am authorized to submit this application on behalf of the applicant agency.

Sean Pickel	Daycare Site Supervisor
Print Name	Title
	02/27/2026
Signature	Date

Authorized Signature

I have read "Playing by the Rules: A Handbook for CDBG Subrecipients on Administrative Systems" with special attention to chapters two and five.

Sean Pickel	Daycare Site Supervisor
Print Name	Title
	02/27/2026
Signature	Date

Attachment A

CITY OF RIALTO

DISCLOSURES REQUIRED BY PERSONS OR ENTITIES CONTRACTING WITH THE CITY OF RIALTO*

Pursuant to City of Rialto Municipal Code Section 2.48.510, all persons or business entities supplying any goods or services to the city, or seeking a loan or grant awarded by the city, whether through an application or proposal, shall disclose in such application or proposal whether any city officer, employee, or consultant may have a financial or non-financial interest in the person or business entity, or in any member, employee, owner, or officer of the business entity.

- A financial interest shall mean any interest that is prohibited under state law, including California Government Code Sections 1090 and 87100, and California Code of Regulation Section 18700 *et seq*.
- A non-financial interest shall mean any interest that is prohibited by City of Rialto Municipal Code Section 2.48.450.

For the purpose of helping the City understand whether City personnel might have a conflict of interest in you or your organization, please disclose below whether you or any of your members, employees, paid or unpaid officers, paid or unpaid directors, or owners are (or are related to) a City elected or appointed official, a City officer, or a City employee or consultant.

Name of Your Organization's Affected Member, Employee, Paid or Unpaid Officer, Paid or Unpaid Director, or Owner	**Name of City Elected or Appointed Official, City Officer, a City Employee or Consultant**	**Relationship Between the Two**
N/A	N/A	N/A

By submitting this [application/proposal], or supplying any goods or services to the City, the [applicant/vendor/contractor/consultant] hereby attests under penalty of perjury, personally and/or on behalf of the entity [submitting this application/proposal or supplying any goods or services to the City] that no City of Rialto elected or appointed official, employee or consultant has a financial or non-financial interest, as such terms are defined in California Government Code Sections 1090 and 87100 and in City of Rialto Code of Ordinances Section 2.48.145, in the [applicant/vendor/contractor/consultant], except as specifically disclosed herein.

Name of Person/Entity: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Form Date 11/11/2021

2.48.450 Employee conflict of interest.

(1) No covered person shall participate in the making of a grant or contract by the city in which the covered person has a conflicting interest.

(2) For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) A "covered person" includes any person who holds an elected or appointed City office, a City officer, a City employee, and any person who is a consultant to the City.

(b) A "conflicting interest" includes, but is not limited to, those decisions where:

(i) A covered person holds or has held within the previous twelve months a position with a potential grant or contract recipient;

(ii) A close relative of a covered person holds or has held within the previous twelve months a position with a grant or contract recipient;

(iii) A close relative of the spouse or domestic partner of a covered person holds or has held within the previous twelve months a position with a grant or contract recipient.

(c) "Position" includes the status of a member, employee, owner, paid or unpaid officer of, paid or unpaid leadership position in, or had an ownership interest in, a grant or contract recipient.

(d) A "close relative" includes a spouse, parent, grandparent, child, grandchild, aunt, uncle, or cousin.

(e) "Participate in the making of a grant or contract" includes participation in: drafting a solicitation or contract; negotiating, voting on, approving, or executing a grant or contract; discussion of same with any city officer or employee; or attempts in any way to influence the making of a grant or contract.

(3) This prohibition shall not apply to a contract let by written competitive bid where the contract will be awarded to the person or entity who submits the lowest responsible and responsive bid.

(4) Except for the Mayor or a member of the City Council, a covered person may request a waiver of any potential conflict of interest in writing from the City Manager. Any request for such a waiver must include full disclosure of the potential conflict of interest and a statement detailing any mitigating factors. The request and the City Manager's response shall be provided to the City Council prior to any vote to approve the contract or grant, or if City Council approval is not required, at least five days before the contract or grant is approved. The request and the City Manager's response shall be considered a public record.

(5) The prohibitions in this section are in addition to any applicable federal or state conflict of interest laws, including but not limited to Government Code section 1090, and Government Code section 87100 *et seq*.

(6) Any person who violates this section is subject to the following:

(a) Public censure;

(b) If the conflict of interest was in the making of a contract, a prohibition from participation in the making of a contract by the city for a period of time up to twelve (12) months from the date of the imposition of the discipline;

(c) If the conflict of interest was in the making of a grant, a prohibition from participation in the making of a grant by the city for a period of time of up to twenty-four (24) months from the date of the imposition of the discipline;

(d) An administrative fine pursuant to Chapter 1.10 of this code.

(7) The discipline specified herein may be imposed:

(a) By the City Manager in the case of any employee or consultant who violates this section.

(b) By the City Council in the case of any person who holds an elected or appointed City office, or any City officer who violates this section.