427—24.6(PL103-75) Eligible use of funds.

24.6(1) *CSBG Act uses.* All funds shall be treated as funds allotted to carry out the purposes of the CSBG Act as delineated in Section 675(c)(11) of Title VI, Subtitle B, Public Law 97-35 for the benefit of low-income, flood-affected individuals and families. Any of these activities, if otherwise allowable, are acceptable program activities:

a. To provide a range of services and activities having a measurable and potentially major impact on causes of poverty in the community or those areas of the community where poverty is a particularly acute problem;

b. To provide activities designed to assist low-income participants including the elderly poor:

(1) To secure and retain meaningful employment;

(2) To attain an adequate education;

(3) To make better use of available income;

(4) To obtain and maintain adequate housing and a suitable living environment;

(5) To obtain emergency assistance through loans or grants to meet immediate and urgent individual and family needs including the need for health services, nutritious food, housing, and employment-related assistance;

(6) To remove obstacles and solve problems which block the achievements of self-sufficiency;

(7) To achieve greater participation in the affairs of the community; and

(8) To make more effective use of other programs related to the purposes of this program;

c. To provide on an emergency basis for the provision of supplies and services, nutritious foodstuffs, and related services, as may be necessary to counteract conditions of starvation and malnutrition among the poor;

d. To coordinate and establish linkages between governmental and other social services programs to ensure the effective delivery of services to low-income individuals; and

e. To encourage the use of entities in the private sector of the community in efforts to ameliorate poverty in the community.

24.6(2) *Anticipated uses of funds.* The DCAA, in consultation with CAAs, has developed an application for federal funds which outlines many of the activities, more narrowly targeted to the flood disaster, which are expected to be conducted with CSBG flood relief funds. This outline shall serve as the framework for programmatic and financial reporting. The outline follows:

a. Category 1—Outreach, assessment, information and referral, and follow-up. This includes activities such as outreach and identification of persons with flood-caused poverty conditions, comprehensive assessments of persons' needs, case management, coordination, information and referral and follow-up to solve problems.

b. Category 2—Home repair fund. This includes activities such as engineering assessments, structural repairs, foundation repairs, basement backfill with sand, adding furnace rooms, wells, septic tanks, lead abatement, furnace repair, furnace replacement, water heater repair, water heater replacement, sump pumps, fresh water pumps, and asbestos removal.

c. Category 3—Assistance to obtain permanent housing. This includes such activities as moving expenses, deposits, utility connection fees, down payment assistance and mortgage payments.

d. Category 4—Family restart program. This component is intended to fill gaps to reestablish suitable living conditions, reestablish transportation, and ensure that children can fully participate in school. This includes such activities as emergency food, emergency shelter, clothing, furniture, appliances, auto repair and gasoline, household goods, school fees, school supplies and emergency child care.

e. Category 5—Repair of CAA offices. This activity includes costs associated with the repair, relocation, cleaning and repair or replacement of flood-damaged office contents. Insurance claims and FEMA resources must be exhausted prior to using funds for this purpose.

f. Category 6—Other. This area consists of activities eligible under the CSBG Act provided to individuals and families directly impacted by the flood disaster which do not fit categories 1 through 5 above.