

## DEPARTMENT OF SMALL AND LOCAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

### NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

DC Main Streets  
(Rhode Island Avenue, NE - Ward 5 Target Area)

The Department of Small and Local Business Development is soliciting applications from qualified 501 (c) (3) non-profit organizations that are incorporated in the District of Columbia to **operate a DC Main Streets program for the Rhode Island Avenue, NE commercial corridor in Ward 5.**

The designated DC Main Streets program (organization) will receive \$200,000 in grant funding and technical assistance to support commercial revitalization initiatives. The Rhode Island Avenue Main Streets organization will develop programs and services to: (1) assist business districts with the retention, expansion and attraction of neighborhood-serving retail stores; and (2) unify and strengthen the commercial corridor. The DC Main Streets grant award is a recurring grant.

The grant recipient will be selected through a competitive application process and announced September 2013. Interested applicants should review the Program's Guidelines and submit a complete application form for receipt via email on or before Wednesday, August 28, 2013, at 4:00 .pm .

The **Request for Application** (RFA), which comprises the application form and program guidelines, will be available on July 26, 2013 at [www.dslbd.dc.gov](http://www.dslbd.dc.gov) .

Instructions and guidance regarding application preparation can be found in the RFA. DSLBD will host an **Information Session** on August 8, 2013 at 3:00 pm at DSLBD's office (441 4th Street, NW, Washington DC 20001; photo required to enter building). All applicant organizations must attend. This session will be your **final** opportunity to get answers to your questions.

For more information, contact Cristina Amoruso, DC Main Streets Coordinator, Office of Commercial Revitalization, Department of Small and Local Business Development at (202) 727-3900.