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## **Governor Musgrove Awards Grants in Lowndes County**

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove has awarded grants to the City of Columbus and Lowndes County through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Columbus will receive \$279,045 for drainage improvements. Lowndes County will receive a \$1,050,000 Economic Development Grant for public facilities improvements on behalf of American Eurocopter.

“We are working hard to help our communities improve their infrastructure and other services,” said Musgrove. “Strong communities build a strong economy and a better way of life for our citizens.”

CDBG is a program of the Community Services Division of the Mississippi Development Authority. Among the division’s goals are assisting communities in analyzing their strengths and weaknesses, involving their leadership in economic development, planning development strategies, strengthening development organizations, and implementing and financing community projects. The Community Services Division also administers other Economic Development grant and loan programs.

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