

AGENDA
GREENE COUNTY - PRELIMINARY CDBG PUBLIC MEETING
FFY 2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

GREENE COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
93 High Street, Waynesburg PA
Wednesday, May 20, 2019 – 10:30 AM and 6:00 PM

Call to Order/Welcome and Introductions

Purpose of Meeting:

This is the first of two public meetings concerning the County's FY 2020 CDBG Program and application process. This meeting is to inform and encourage citizens to participate in the CDBG planning and evaluation process and allows Greene County Commissioners to obtain and respond to citizen views, comments and/or proposals related to the use of funds being applied for as well as the actual prior use of CDBG funds.

Program Goals and objectives:

1. Principally benefit low to moderate income (LMI) persons and families.
2. Aid in the prevention or elimination of slum or blight.
3. Meet other community development needs of a particular urgency.

Eligible Applicants:

State Act 179 defines the eligible applicants for CDBG funds in areas of the commonwealth that do not receive CDBG funds directly from HUD.

Eligible/Ineligible Activities:

Because the Eligible Activities section of the State CDBG regulations (refer to 570.482 in Appendix B) are minimal, the states must use the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (HCDA) as the primary authority for determining eligibility of potential state CDBG activities.

Displacement:

The County of Greene is responsible to replace all occupied and vacant occupiable LMI dwelling units that may be demolished or converted to another use. Prior to obligating or expending funds that will result in the demolition or conversion of LMI housing units, Greene County will publicize and provide opportunity for citizen comment.

Prior Use of CDBG Program Funds:

In the past Greene County has used CDBG funding to assist with several activities which met the national objectives. Those activities include: **2019)** Dunkard Township Bobtown Building Demolition, **2017/2018)** Whiteley Township Mount Morris Road Water Line Extension, **2016)** Wayne Township Maple Alley Sewage Rehabilitation, **2015)** Greensboro Borough, Greensboro Monongahela Township Joint Sewage Authority Sewage Rehabilitation, **2015-D)** Monongahela Stoney Hill Road Water Line Replacements Discretionary Program , **2014)** Morgan Township Happy Valley Road Water Line Extension Phase II, **2013)**



Draft agenda all information is for the purpose of review and discussions



Greensboro Borough Dunkard Valley Joint Municipal Authority Meter Replacements , **2012**) Wayne Township Brave Water and Sewage Authority Pump Station Improvements, **2011**) Wayne/Housing Brave Water and Sewage Authority Pump Station Improvements/Housing Rehab, **2010**) Wayne/Morgan Township Brave Water and Sewage Authority Pump Station Improvements/Happy Valley Road Water Line Extension Phase I, **2009**) Riceslanding Borough Sidewalk Replacements

2020 CDBG funds available:

The County of Greene, Cumberland Township, Franklin Township and Waynesburg Borough are expected to receive an allocation of approximately \$569,922.00 of 2020 CDBG funds and through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act referred to as CDBG-CV will receive \$364,583.00 from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. At least 70% of the available funding must be used for activities which benefit LMI persons. Allocations are as follows:

*2020 Annual Entitlement Program:

Greene County	\$188,134.00
Cumberland Township	\$98,223.00
Franklin Township	\$103,899.00
Waynesburg Borough	\$77,081.00

**Excludes 18% administration*

***Comments/Projects deadline** – June 1, 2020

***Application deadline** - October 28, 2020

*2020 CDBG-CV Program:

Greene County	\$ 166,152.00
Cumberland Township	\$ 67,742.00
Franklin Township	\$ 69,502.00
Waynesburg Borough	\$ 61,187.00

**Does not exclude administration percentage*

***Comments/Projects deadline** - May 27, 2020

***Application deadline** - July 31, 2020

Examples of Eligible Projects

The following types of activities may be eligible for annual entitlement funding:

- water and sewer line replacement and improvements
- housing rehab and/or construction of affordable housing
- construction/reconstruction of public/community/ recreational facilities
- public services that are new or provide quantifiable increases in the delivery of services
- street improvements
- historic preservation
- removal of architectural barriers
- code enforcement
- economic development including acquisition and relocation, clearance

and demolition

- general administration, planning, audit if required, and preparation of the CDBG application

The following types of activities may be eligible for CDBG-CV funds:

- Buildings and Improvements including Public Facilities
- Assistance to Businesses including Special Economic Development Assistance
- Public Services, Planning, Capacity Building, and Technical Assistance where these activities would prevent and respond to the spread of infectious diseases such as the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) funding



Application Procedure/Time Schedule – Additional reference sheets will be provided

- **Submit comments and project requests to:**

Crystal Simmons, Director Greene County CDBG Program
Greene County Community Development Block Grant Program
93 High Street, Suite 210
Waynesburg, PA 15370
E: csimmons@co.greene.pa.us F: 724-852-5372 P: 724-852-5260

- **Projects/comments located in Franklin Township should also be submitted to:**

Franklin Township Supervisor, 568 Rolling Meadows Road, Waynesburg PA

- **Projects/comments located in Waynesburg Borough should also be submitted to:**

Waynesburg Borough Council, 90 East High Street, Waynesburg PA,

- **Projects/comments located in Cumberland Township should be submitted to:**

Marcia Sonneborn, Community Development Administrator
100 Municipal Road
Carmichaels, PA 15320
E: mesonne@windstream.net F: 724-966-9700 P: 724-966-8558

- Surveys to determine LMI must be completed by the County of Greene.
- A second and final 2020 CDBG meeting will be advertised. This meeting will review the final projects that will be submitted
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Comment and Submission Deadlines

Comments will be accepted to June 1, 2020.

Comments related to COVID Response activities should be submitted by May 27, 2020.

Annual entitlement application submission deadline is October 28, 2020

CDBG- CV application submission deadline is July 31, 2020

Project Requests/Questions/Comments

Closing Remarks/Comments

Adjournment

