

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING & SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT

Gloucester County, New Jersey

Department of Economic Development

Office of Housing and Community Development

The County of Gloucester proposes to initiate planning for the FY2021 Annual Action Plan, which directs the expenditure Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership (HOME) funds received by the County from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The County has been allocated \$1,358,948 in CDBG funds and \$594,263 in HOME funds.

In order to obtain the views and proposals of interested citizens and community stakeholders on Community Development, Economic Development and Housing needs and priorities, two virtual public hearings are being scheduled in the initial stage of application and program development.

The information received from interested persons at the hearings will assist the County in the preparation of Gloucester County's Second Year Annual Action Plan, which is required by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development as part of the application process.

Information will be made available to citizens regarding application procedures, timing, eligible activities and other regulations related to the Community Development Programs. Information on past use of CDBG and HOME Funds will also be available. Representatives of the County will be available to answer questions that may arise during the hearings.

The County is using this opportunity to notify the public of a Substantial Amendment to its 2020 and 2019 Annual Action Plans. Specifically, the County is changing the funding source for the Deptford New Housing Construction Rental project from CDBG to HOME:

Activity	Current Budget	Proposed Change	New Budget	Funding Source
Deptford New Construction Rental Housing Project	\$200,000	-\$200,000	\$0	CDBG
Housing Rehabilitation	\$56,245	+\$200,000	\$256,245	CDBG
Housing Development (2019)	\$190,000	-\$100,000	\$90,000	HOME
Housing Rehabilitation (2020)	\$193,750	-\$100,000	\$93,750	HOME
Deptford New Construction Rental Housing Project	\$0	+\$200,000	\$200,000	HOME

In accordance with the procedures set forth in the Citizen Participation Plan, there will be two virtual public hearings, which will be scheduled on Friday, May 21, 2021 at 2PM and 5PM. Gloucester County citizens are encouraged and welcome to submit written or verbal comments at or following the hearings. Links to participate in the virtual public hearings can be found on the County's website at the following location: <https://www.gloucestercountynj.gov/580/Fair-Housing-Citizen-Participation>

A final draft of the Annual Action Plan for Federal Fiscal Year 2021, which will be prepared following the Public Hearings, and will be made available for public review and comment for thirty (30) days in order to meet the timing and submission requirements established by HUD. A future notice will announce the public display period and inform the public of additional public hearings.

The County of Gloucester complies with all state and federal rules and regulations and does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, national or ethnic origin, sexual orientation, age, marital status or disability in admission to, access to, or operations of its programs, services, or activities. In addition, Gloucester County encourages the participation of people with disabilities in its programs and activities and offers special services to all County residents 60 years of age and older. Inquiries regarding compliance may be directed to the Division of Disability Services at (856) 384-6842/New Jersey Relay Service 711 or the EEO office at (856) 384-6903.

Gloucester County Board of Commissioners

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