

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NOTICE
Gloucester County
Application for Community Development
Block Grant CV2 Funds

The purpose of this Public Notice is to announce to residents that the County of Gloucester intends to apply to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA) for \$962,695 in Community Development Block Grant CV2 funds which were made available through the CARES Act, Public Law 116-136.

In accordance with NJ DCA rules and CDBG program regulations, the County must conduct a public meeting: (1) to explain federal and state guidelines, (2) to review eligible and proposed program activities, (3) to consider proposals for an application to NJ DCA, and (4) to receive citizen comments and recommendations.

The County has determined that best and most effective way to address community needs and prepare, prevent and respond to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic is to establish the following implementation strategies to address the immediate needs of its low-and moderate-income residents and small businesses.

The proposed projects and budgets for **CDBG CV2** funding are as follows:

ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION	RECOMMENDED FUNDING
Small Business Assistance	Grants for small businesses and micro-enterprises financially impacted by COVID-19	\$150,000
COVID-Related Capital Improvements for Nonprofits	Construction and renovations to nonprofit-owned buildings to prevent the spread of COVID-19.	\$414,561
Public Services (Childcare)	Childcare services for households impacted by COVID-19.	\$200,000
Public Services (Food Insecurity)	Programs and services that address food insecurity.	\$150,000
Administration	Wages, salaries and other expenses related to the administration of CDBG CV2 funding.	\$48,134
CDBG CV2 TOTAL ALLOCATION		\$962,695

In order to obtain the views of residents, public agencies and other interested parties, Gloucester County will post a summary of its project proposals on public display beginning Friday, September 17, 2021 on the County's website at the following address: <https://www.gloucestercountynj.gov/580/Fair-Housing-Citizen-Participation> . This document will be available to the public for a period of no less than five (5) business days until Wednesday, September 22, 2021.

On Monday September 20, 2021 at 2PM and then again at 5PM, Gloucester County will conduct virtual public hearings via the Zoom platform to accept feedback on the draft plan allocating the CDBG CV-2 funds. Members of the public will be given the opportunity to speak during this hearing to verbally submit

their public comment. The log-in information for the virtual public hearing will be posted on the City's website listed above.

All citizens, groups, and organizations are encouraged to either attend this public hearing and will be given the opportunity to present oral or provide written testimony concerning the proposed application for NJ DCA CDBG-CV funding.

If you have a disability and require auxiliary aid, service or other accommodations to participate in the proceedings, please contact Christina Velazquez at (856) 384-6930 or cvelazquez@co.goucester.nj.us to determine how the County can accommodate your needs.

All general questions and public comments regarding this Substantial Amendment or proposed programming should be directed to Christina Velazquez at (856) 384-6930 or cvelazquez@co.goucester.nj.us. On October 6, 2021, the Gloucester County Commissioners will consider a resolution authorizing the submission of the County's application to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for these funds.

2pm Public Hearing

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81546369715?pwd=K3lQeXRUN1krNHhUYm9TWVc5QzgrQT09&from=addon>

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5pm Public Hearing

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84582130287?pwd=dTk0MU9SM3o2bVBXSEJnUXNucFNEQT09&from=addon>

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