



Chester Economic Development Authority

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To: City of Chester Interested Parties

The City of Chester has prepared a proposed 2016 Action Plan for the use of Community Development Block Grant and HOME funds.

A Public Notice (copy attached) that sets forth proposed activities and approximate funding levels was published in the Delaware County Daily Times.

A Public Hearing to solicit citizens' comments will be held **in City Council Chambers on Wednesday, February 10, 2016, at 9:00 a.m.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (610) 447-7854 or by e-mail at jar@ceda.cc.

Sincerely,

JO ANN RUARK

Director of Community Development

Attachment

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC DISPLAY AND PUBLIC HEARING F.Y. 2016 ACTION PLAN CITY OF CHESTER, DELAWARE COUNTY, PA In accordance with the Federal regulations at 24 CFR, Part 91, the City of Chester prepared an Action Plan for F.Y. 2016 in order to qualify for direct assistance under certain funding programs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, including the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program. The F.Y. 2016 Action Plan includes proposed allocations to programs and activities for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The City of Chester's F.Y. 2016 CDBG allocation is estimated to be \$991,250.00 and the HOME allocation is estimated to be \$208,295.00. The City anticipates receiving \$10,000.00 in CDBG program income. The F.Y. 2016 Action Plan includes the following proposed projects to be funded with CDBG and HOME funds: CDBG PROGRAM Senior Community Services - Chester Senior Center Services \$18,000.00 Wesley House Community Corp. - Wesley House Shelter Operations 20,000.00 Domestic Abuse Project - Counseling and Legal Advocacy 10,000.00 Salvation Army Chester Corps, - Homeless Case Mgmt. Services 20,000.00 Chester Community Improvement Project - Pre-purchase Counseling 30,000.00 Boys & Girls Club of Chester - Afterschool Programs 10,000.00 Infrastructure Improvements - Streets, Inlets, Sidewalks/ADA, etc. 150,000.00 Park Improvements - 8th & Lloyd Streets Playground 150,000.00 Fire Department - Fire and Rescue Equipment 50,000.00 Demolition/Clearance - Scattered Sites 122,563.00 Entrepreneur Works of Del. Co. - Microenterprise Assistance 20,000.00 Section 108 Loan - Principal and Interest Repayment 200,437.00 Administration/Planning 200,250.00 Total CDBG Budget \$1,001,250.00 Note: If the final allocation is more or less than estimated, the City will adjust the Demolition/Clearance and Administration/Planning line items accordingly. HOME PROGRAM Single Family Affordable Housing Initiative \$145,807.00 CCIP CHDO Set-Aside for Affordable Housing Development 31,244.00 CCIP CHDO Operating Expenses 10,415.00 Administrative Expenses 20,829.00 Total HOME Budget \$208,295.00 Note: If the final allocation is more or less than estimated, the City will adjust the Administrative Expenses, CCIP CHDO Operating Expenses, and Single Family Affordable Housing Initiative line items accordingly. The City of Chester will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, February 10, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. in City Council Chambers, 1 Fourth Street, Chester, PA, to solicit citizen comments on the 2016 Action Plan. The building is handicap-accessible. If any person requires accommodation to attend the Hearing or to access the Action Plan information, please contact Mrs. Jo Ann Ruark of the Chester Economic Development Authority (CEDA) at (610) 447-7854 or by email at jar@ceda.cc. Hearing impaired individuals may contact Mrs. Ruark through the AT&T Relay Center at 1-800-654-5984. Copies of the draft Action Plan will be available for public inspection and review from February 1, 2016 to March 4, 2016, at the following locations, on the City's website at www.chestercity.com, or on CEDA's website at www.ceda.cc: Office of the City Clerk or CEDA, City Hall, 1 Fourth Street, Chester, PA 19013 J. Lewis Crozer Library, 620 Engle Street, Chester, PA The City will be undertaking an evaluation of the projects to be funded in an effort to identify historic and archaeological resources that may be affected by the projects. By this Notice, the City invites parties who may have an interest in projects which may impact historic and archaeological resources to make themselves known. Parties should contact the Chester Economic Development Authority. The City will involve such parties in the notification and review process of the National Advisory Council on Historic Preservation as set forth in 36 CFR Part 800. The City intends to approve the Final F.Y. 2016 Action Plan on Wednesday, March 23, 2016, and submit the Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on or about April 15, 2016, contingent upon having received notification of the actual F.Y. 2016 CDBG and HOME allocations. Interested persons are encouraged to express their views on the Action Plan at the public hearing or in writing to CEDA, P. O. Box 407, Chester, PA, 19016 or to jar@ceda.cc. All comments received through March 7, 2016, will be considered. Thaddeus Kirkland Mayor of the City of Chester DCT, January 18, 19, a-1

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