

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE 2018 ACTION PLAN SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT #2; 2019 ACTION PLAN SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT #3; AND CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN FOR THE DU PAGE COUNTY CONSORTIUM

DuPage County received approximately \$3.8 million in funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), \$300,000 for the Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG), and \$1.7 million for the HOME Investment Partnerships Act Program (HOME) for FY2018 and received similar amounts for FY2019. The overall goal of these three programs is to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities principally for low- and moderate-income persons. It is estimated that at least 95% of the DuPage County funds received from these three programs, and covered by the Consolidated Plan, will benefit persons of low and moderate income.

DuPage County is proposing a substantial amendment to its 2018 Action Plan to reprogram HOME funds to use for a Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) COVID-19 Response program. DuPage County is also proposing substantial amendment to its 2019 Action Plan to reprogram HOME funds to use for a TBRA COVID-19 Response program. These draft documents can be viewed starting June 3, 2020 on the DuPage County Community Development website:

https://www.dupageco.org/Community_Services/Community_Development_Commission/31052/

Further, DuPage County is proposing amendments to the Citizen Participation Plan (CPP). The CPP plan has been developed for the DuPage County Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development. It is a compilation of the existing policies of the DuPage Community Development Commission (CDC) designed to afford citizens, public agencies, and interested parties reasonable opportunity to review and comment on policies and activities of the CDC and the projects and programs funded by the grant programs it oversees. The draft document can be viewed starting June 8, 2020 on the DuPage County Community Development website:

https://www.dupageco.org/Community_Services/Community_Development_Commission/1392/

Under the “Availability of Waiver of Community Planning and Development (CPD) Grant Program and Consolidated Plan Requirements to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 and Mitigate Economic Impacts Caused by COVID-19” memorandum, issued by the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development April 1, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, DuPage County will be utilizing the waiver allowing for no less than a 5-day public comment period and the waiver allowing for DuPage County to determine what constitutes reasonable notice and opportunity to comment in order to respond quickly to the growing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

A virtual public hearing to obtain input for the 2018 Action Plan Substantial Amendment #2, 2019 Action Plan Substantial Amendment #3, and the Citizen Participation Plan will be held as follows:

Monday, June 15, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.

Information accessing a link to the virtual public hearing meeting will be posted on the DuPage County Community Development Commission Public Hearing webpage:

https://www.dupageco.org/Community_Services/Community_Development_Commission/62903

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Interested parties must utilize the above link to gain access to the virtual public hearing. Anyone requiring special accommodations should contact the Community Development Commission office at (630) 407-6600.

The public comment period begins June 8, 2020 with written comments accepted until 4:30 pm on June 12, 2020. Comments by interested citizens and organizations can be made via mail to 421 N County Farm Road, Room 2-800, Wheaton, IL 60187, email communitydev@dupageco.org, or fax 630-407-6601.