Public Hearing Notice and Proposed Project Selection for the 2020 CDBG Program Indiana County

A virtual public hearing will be conducted on Friday, October 9, 2020 at 1:00 PM via ZOOM conference to discuss Indiana County's proposed funding of the 2020 CDBG Entitlement and Competitive Programs and subsequent application submissions.

The virtual public hearing is accessible to individuals with disabilities and/or for persons with Limited English Proficiency. If you wish to attend and require special accommodations, please notify the Indiana County Office of Planning and Development Office 72 hours in advance at 724-465-3870 (Telephone) or 724-465-3805 (TDD) or by email at admin1@ceo.co.indiana.pa.us.

The purpose of the public hearing is to discuss the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project selection and the 3-Yr Plan for Indiana County for both the entitlement and competitive programs. The hearing will discuss the selection of activities and why any proposed activities were not selected for funding. The selected 2020 CDBG entitlement activity is to fund the water line extension service for the Metz Road Water Line Extension Program. Indiana County is also proposing a competitive CDBG application of \$190,000.00 for the Metz Road Water Line Extension and a competitive CDBG application of \$325,000.00 for the Glen Campbell Water Storage Tank Replacement Project. The competitive CDBG application deadline is February 21, 2021.

The County of Indiana will receive an allocation of approximately \$293,900.00 of 2020 CDBG funds from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. In addition, the County of Indiana anticipates the receipt of no program income during the 2020 program year. At least 70% of the available funding must be used for activities which benefit low and moderate income persons. The proposed activities must benefit at least 51% low-moderate income persons in the service area to qualify as a low-moderate income project. The PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) has announced the application submission deadline of October 28, 2020

If the County of Indiana would undertake activities that result in the displacement of families or individuals, then the County of Indiana's policy for minimizing such displacement would be in effect. The County of Indiana is responsible for replacing all low and moderate income housing units that may be demolished or converted as a result of the use of CDBG funds.

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend/participate in the public hearing via Zoom conference as follows: To access via web video, type the link: https://us02webzoom.us/j/87520411171 and the meeting ID is 875 2041 1171. To access via telephone dial +1 646-558-8656 and enter meeting ID: 87520411171.

All interested citizen are encouraged to attend and will be offered the opportunity to give oral testimony at the public hearing and/or to present written comments concerning the proposed CDBG activities and 3-Yr Plan, the selection process and any other questions related to the CDBG program. Proposals and comments may be submitted to the Indiana County Office of Planning and Development at 801 Water Street, Indiana, Pennsylvania 15701 or by email to admin1@ceo.co.indiana.pa.us by October 9, 2020 by 12:00 PM.

