

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE FY 2018
COUNTY OF MONROE AND ON BEHALF OF EAST STROUDSBURG AND STROUDSBURG BOROUGH
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

Notice is hereby given by the County of Monroe and on behalf of East Stroudsburg and Stroudsburg Borough that it will hold Public hearings on:

- Tuesday, July 17, 2018 7:00P.M. at 24 Analomink Street, East Stroudsburg, PA
- Wednesday, July 18, 2018 9:30A.M. at Administrative Center, 1 Quaker Plaza, Stroudsburg, PA
- Tuesday, August 7, 2018 7:00P.M. at 700 Sarah Street, Stroudsburg, PA

These meetings are 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 Redevelopment Authority of the County of Monroe office 72 hours in advance at 570-421-4300 or exdirector@monroecountyda.org.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to discuss the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program in general, the needs of the County and on behalf of East Stroudsburg and Stroudsburg Boroughs, and the County of Monroe and on behalf of East Stroudsburg and Stroudsburg Boroughs performance under the previously funded CDBG Program years and to discuss the required Three-Year Community Development Plan of all three entitlements.

The County of Monroe and on behalf of East Stroudsburg and Stroudsburg Boroughs are expected to receive an allocation of approximately \$ 544,205 of FY 2018 CDBG funds from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

- County of Monroe approx. \$ 320,533
- Borough of East Stroudsburg approx. \$ 128,986
- Borough of Stroudsburg approx. \$ 94,686

At least 70% of the available funding must be used for activities which benefit low and moderate income persons in the service area to qualify as a low-moderate income project. The proposed activities must benefit at least 51% low-moderate income persons in the service area. The Pa Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) has not announced the application submission deadline date but is expected to be Fall 2018. Early planning is necessary for this process.

The following types of activities may be eligible for funding under the CDBG Program: water and sewer line replacement and improvements; housing rehabilitation; construction of affordable housing; construction/reconstruction of public/community facilities; recreational facilities; public services that are new or provide quantifiable increases in the delivery of services; street improvements; historic preservation; removal of architectural barriers; code enforcement; economic development; acquisition and relocation; clearance and demolition; and general administration.

If the County of Monroe and on behalf of East Stroudsburg and Stroudsburg Borough would undertake activities that result in the displacement of families or individuals, then the County of Monroe's policy for minimizing such displacement would be in effect. The County of Monroe and East Stroudsburg and Stroudsburg Borough 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.

The County of Monroe and on behalf of East Stroudsburg and Stroudsburg Boroughs do not discriminate in regards to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status, ancestry, disability, age, and the use of guide or support animals because of blindness, deafness or physical handicap of the user or because the user is a handler or trainer of support or guide animals in the provision admission, employment or access to the County's service programs.

All interested citizens 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 needs of the County of Monroe and on behalf of the East Stroudsburg and Stroudsburg boroughs, proposed CDBG program activities, the prior use of CDBG funds, as well as the CDBG Program in general. Written comments will be received for 15 days beginning July 19, 2018. Project applications and/or comments may be directed to Martha Robbins, CDBG Administrator at (570) 421-4300. Applications will be due by 4:00p.m. July 27, 2018.



Greg F. Christine
Chief Clerk/Administrator