

## GUERNSEY COUNTY PUBLIC HEARING #2

The Guernsey County Commissioners are intending to apply to the Ohio Department Services Agency for funding under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Small Cities Program, a federally funded program administered by the state. Guernsey County will be eligible for \$200,000 of fiscal year 2018 CDBG Community Development Allocation funding, provided the county meets applicable program requirements. The County may apply for up to \$300,000 in Downtown Revitalization Program funds and for up to \$1,000,000.00(\$500,000/2) in Critical Infrastructure funds. On March 16, 2018, the County conducted its first public hearing to inform citizens about the CDBG program, how it may be used, what activities are eligible, and other important program requirements. Based on both citizen input and local officials' assessment of the County's needs, the County is proposing to undertake the following CDBG activities for Fiscal Year 2018:

Community Development Allocation Projects 1. Activity: Conversion/Rehab/Renovate—ADA Bathroom for Countryview Assisted Living \$35,800 CDBG. National Objective - benefit to LMI persons. 2. Activity: Flood/Drainage—Glass Avenue, Byesville - Culvert Replacement, \$40,000 CDBG, CIG \$391,100.00. National Objective - benefit to LMI persons. Activity 3: Home Repair— to assist 8 homeowners countywide with repairs, \$104,200 CDBG, National Objective - benefit to LMI persons at or below 50% HUD income guidelines. Activity 4. & 5. Fair Housing Program and General Administration, \$20,000 CDBG. Grant timeline for project completion September 1, 2018 – February 28, 2020.

Downtown Revitalization Projects 1. Activity: Private Rehabilitation—to assist Byesville downtown business owners with eligible repairs to their buildings, \$150,000 CDBG. National Objective Slum and Blight. 2. General Administration, \$15,000 CDBG. Grant timeline for project completion is September 1, 2018 – August 31, 2020.

Critical Infrastructure Projects 1. Activity: Flood/Drainage—Glass Avenue Culvert Replacement, \$321,100 CDBG CIG, \$40,000 CDBG Allocation. National objective is to benefit LMI persons. 2. General Administration, \$30,000 CDBG. Grant timeline for project completion is expected to be September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2020.

Critical Infrastructure Project 2: Activity Flood/Drainage – Seneca Avenue, Byesville- \$313,800 CDBG, \$150,000 OPWC. National Objective – to benefit LMI persons. 2. Administration: \$30,000 CDBG. Grant timeline for project completion is expected to be September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2020.

A second public hearing will be held June 14, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the Guernsey County Commissioners Office (meeting room), 627 Wheeling Avenue, Suite 300, Cambridge, OH 43725, to give citizens an adequate opportunity to review and comment on the County's proposed CDBG Applications, including the proposed activities summarized above, before the County submits its application to the Ohio Development Services Agency, Office of Community Development. Citizens are encouraged to attend this meeting on June 14, 2018 to express their views and comments on the City's proposed CDBG application. The County Administration Building is a handicapped accessible facility. If a participant will need auxiliary aids (interpreter, brailled or taped material, assistive listening device, or other) due to a disability, please contact Kim Haught of Economic and Community Development at (740) 439-5491 ext. 1171, Monday thru Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. prior to June 7, 2018 to ensure that your needs will be accommodated.