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Community Development Department Public Hearing April 12

Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) Consolidated Plan for FY 2017-18

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. – The City of Murfreesboro Community Development Department has announced a Notice of Public Hearing, Wednesday, **April 12**, 2017, at the Patterson Park Community Center, 521 Mercury Boulevard. The purpose of the public hearing is to present the proposed Third-Year Action Plan for allocating and expending grant funds in support of the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan.

The public is invited to offer comments on the proposed plan, required every five years as a direct recipient of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. The plan outlines goals for all housing, community planning and development programs.

“The City of Murfreesboro partners with the federal government to fund a wide range of public service activities including child care, healthcare, job training, homeless services and education programs,” said City Community Development Director John Callow. “We encourage interested parties, qualified nonprofit agencies with 501(c)3 tax-exempt status and government agencies to attend the public hearing and provide comments.”

The City of Murfreesboro expects to receive a Community Development Block Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017. HUD has not yet announced the City’s CDBG allocation for July 2, 2017 to June 30, 2018. While the allocation may not be made until late June, as a grantee the City is expected to adhere to the process mandated by federal regulations.

The City of Murfreesboro Community Development Department has announced a Notice of Funding Availability for Community Development Public Service Grants (CDPSG) for FY 2017-18. The grant projects must benefit low and moderate-income residents of Murfreesboro.

To learn more about the CDBGs, visit the Notice of Funding Availability on the City website at <http://www.murfreesborotn.gov/index.aspx?NID=771>. To learn about CDBG Public Service Grants and associated information, visit <http://www.murfreesborotn.gov/index.aspx?NID=116>.

For planning purposes, the proposed Third-Year Action assumes 1) an allocation of \$705,000 in new CDBG funding; 2) \$225,000 in CDBG funds re-programmed from FY2016-17; 3) \$50,000 generated by the CDBG funded loan portfolio; and 4) a \$161,250 Emergency Solutions Grant allocated to the City by the Tennessee Housing Development Agency (THDA).

For more information on Community Development programs, residents are encouraged to call 615-890-4660.

CDBG regulations allow the use of grant funds for a wide range of public service activities (24 CFR 570.201), including, but not limited to:

Child care/counseling	Public safety services	Homebuyer counseling
Health care	Fair Housing activities	Energy conservation
Job training	Youth services	Services for senior citizens
Recreation programs	Homeless services	Education programs
Substance abuse counseling and treatment		

Following the public hearing, the proposed Third-Year Action Plan will be available for examination at Linebaugh Public Library, the Myrtle Glanton Lord branch library at Patterson Park Community Center, the Community Development Department at McFadden Community Center (Room 136) and online at the City's website, www.murfreesborotn.gov.

For a Projected Use of Funds, see the attached Notice of Public Hearing PDF.

For City News online, visit www.Murfreesborotn.gov.

Attached: *Notice of Public Hearing.pdf*

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