NOTICE OF PUBLIC NEEDS HEARING

City of Wilmington, Delaware Community Development Block Grant Program. HOME, ESG, and HOPWA FY 2022 Annual Plan

Notice is hereby given that the City of Wilmington, DE (City) is currently preparing its FY 2022 Consolidated Annual Action Plan. The City will receive FY 2022 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds, Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and will conduct a public hearing to obtain input on how these funds can address needs within the City in FY 2022.

In accordance with the Final Rule for consolidation of the CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPEWA Programs, 24 CFR Part 91, et. al., the City will prepare an Annual Action Plan, which will be submitted to HUD on the earlier of May 15, 2022, or 60 days from the formal notification by HUD of the City's annual FY 2022 funding allocations under these programs.

In accordance with the City's Citizen Participation Plan, the City will hold a community development and housing needs hearing on January 27, 2022, at 10:00 am. Due to the on-going COVID 19 pandemic, this meeting will be held virtually via Zoom to solicit input from citizens on the housing and community development needs within the City. The Zoom link for this meeting is here:

To Join the Zoom Meeting

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71176583902?pwd=U05UVmtSTXJSTW9XOVJITFIWbkxuQT09

Meeting ID: 711 7658 3902

Passcode: zC3B6K

A copy of this notice will also appear on the City's website.

Instructions on how to join the meeting can be obtained from the City's Department of Real Estate and Housing by calling (302) 576-3000. The City will also accept needs input from the public via email at ajmatas@WilmingtonDE.gov or in writing to the Real Estate and Housing Office, 800 North French Street – 7th floor, Wilmington, DE 19801 as part of this public hearing. To facilitate participation by persons with special needs, please contact ajmatas@WilmingtonDE.gov or at (302) 576-3000 to make arrangements at least 3 business days prior to the hearing. La informacion sera proporcionada en espanol por peticion.

The purpose of this public hearings is to:

- 1. Obtain the views and comments of individuals and organizations concerning the City's housing and community development needs. The information gathered will be used in the preparation of the Consolidated Annual Action Plan submission for the FY 2022 Program Year.
- 2. Review the City's Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnerships Programs, Emergency Solutions Grant Program and the Housing for Persons with HIV Program and provide an opportunity for the public to comment on program performance.
- 3. Summarize the Consolidated Annual Action Plan process and obtain the views of citizens, public agencies, and others interested in the housing and community development needs of the City.

The City expects to publish a summary of its proposed Annual Action Plan for FY 2022 on or before April 1, 2022, and a copy of the document will be placed on public display for a thirty (30) day review period beginning on or before April 1, 2022. A second public hearing will be duly advertised and conducted to present the proposed plan to the public. The City will consider comments on the proposed plan prior to adoption by the Wilmington City

Council and/o submission to HUD. Proper notice of the display date and subsequent public hearing will be properly advertised.

PUBLICATION DATE: January 12, 2022