



Want To Add Your Two Cents On How To Spend Community Development Block Grant Funding?

The Town of Union and Villages of Endicott and Johnson City need your help in identifying unmet housing and community development needs in the community.

Why is the Town of Union conducting a Public Hearing on March 18th?

The town and villages have been receiving Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for more than forty years through the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). As a recipient of these federal funds, the Town is required to prepare a five-year Consolidated Plan including Annual Action Plans. The Consolidated Plan is a long-range planning document that identifies needs in the community and outlines strategies for addressing those needs. The new 2020-2024 five-year plan must be submitted to HUD in August of 2020. The purpose of the first public hearing is to identify needs in the community that residents, neighborhood groups, community organizations, or public service providers feel are not currently being met. The Town expects to receive \$1,281,258 in new CDBG funding for the 2020 Federal Fiscal Year.

Do I have to come to the Public Hearing in order to submit suggestions?

No. The Town of Union recognizes that life is hectic these days and your time is both limited and valuable. If you can't attend the Public Hearing, please submit comments via e-mail to cdbg@townofunion.com or send them along in a letter to:

Sara Zubalsky-Peer, Director
Town of Union Department of Planning 3111
East Main Street
Endwell, New York 13760

When will the draft versions of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and Fiscal Year 2020 Annual Action Plans be available for public comment?

Draft version of the plans, are scheduled to be released for the required 30-day public comment period on or about June 1, 2020.

Which governmental agency is responsible for development of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan?

The Town of Union Planning Department is the designated Lead Agency for development and administration of the Town's CDBG program. The Planning Department works with a seven-member citizen advisory board, appointed by the elected officials from all three communities, to prepare the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans.

What types of activities can CDBG funds be used for?

Information outlining the eligible uses of CDBG funding can be viewed on the Town of Union web page at townofunion.com under the Departments/Community Development section. The listing of priorities for the previous Consolidated Plan are also listed in this section of the web page. Unfortunately, not all areas of the town and villages are eligible for certain activities such as street reconstruction or park improvements. All CDBG funded activities must meet at least one of the three national objectives established for the program.

2020 CDBG Public Meeting Schedule		
Date	Location	Time
Initial Input Public Hearing March 18, 2020	Town Hall 3111 E. Main St. Endwell	7:00 PM
Draft Plan Public Hearing June 17, 2020	Town Hall 3111 E. Main St. Endwell	7:00 PM
Final Plan Public Hearing July 8, 2020	Town Hall 3111 E. Main St. Endwell	7:00 PM
Final Plan Approval August 5, 2020	Town Hall 3111 E. Main St. Endwell	7:00 PM

