

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BOROUGH OF CHAMBERSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA**

**CARES ACT [CDBG-CV] FUNDING AND
THE FY 2019 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN - SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT**

As a Federal Entitlement, the Borough of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania (“Borough”) receives funding from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). On March 27, 2020 the U.S. Congress passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136. According to the allocation of funds under that Act, the Borough of Chambersburg is a recipient of CDBG-CV funds. The Borough received two (2) allocations of the Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funds. The first allocation received by the Borough was \$195,725 and in the third round of funding, the Borough received an allocation of \$170,168 for a total allocation of \$365,893 CDBG-CV funds.

The purpose of this public hearing is to present substantial amendments to the Borough of Chambersburg’s FY 2019 Annual Action Plan for the use of the FY 2020 CDBG-CV funds.

To expedite the disbursement of the Borough’s FY 2020 CDBG-CV funds, via 24 CFR 5.110, the CARES Act authorizes HUD to grant waivers to the public notice, public comment, and citizen participation plan requirements found in 24 CFR 91.105I(2) and (k), 24 CFR 91.115I(2) and (i) and 24 CFR 91.401. In accordance with the Borough of Chambersburg’s Citizen Participation Plan and HUD’s regulatory requirement, waivers are granted which reduces the minimum 3-day public comment period to a 5-day period. Notice is hereby given that the Borough of Chambersburg, PA will hold a public hearing on **Monday, November 9, 2020 at 2:00 PM**, prevailing time, in the Borough of Chambersburg’s Council Chambers located on the first floor of the Municipal Building, 100 South Second Street, Chambersburg, PA 17201. The Council Chambers and the Municipal Building are both accessible to persons with physical disabilities. If special arrangements need to be made to accommodate residents in order for them to participate in the public hearing, including an interpreter for persons with limited English language, please contact at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting date and time, Mr. Phil Wolgemuth, Deputy Borough Manager, at (717) 251-2436, or by email at pwolgemuth@chambersburgpa.gov or for persons with hearing or speech impediments they may call 711 to make arrangements.

The Borough of Chambersburg previously adopted its FY 2019 Annual Action Plan and Budgets for the use of CDBG funds. In accordance with CDBG program regulations, the Borough is allowed to make substantial amendments to its Annual Action Plan and Budgets in accordance with the Borough’s Citizen Participation Plan.

The Borough has determined that it is necessary to amend the approved CDBG program budget for the previously approved program year for FY 2019. The funds will

be reprogrammed from cancelled projects/activities to new projects/activities and/or increase funding for other previously approved projects/activities.

These are considered substantial amendments in accordance with the Borough's Citizen Participation Plan as the following applies: the scope, purpose, and location of the project activity have changed.

The amendment to the FY 2019 CDBG-CV Annual Action Plan is proposed as follows:

CDBG-CV Activities:

- **CDBG-CV-20-01 Food Programs** – increase this project/activity budget by \$42,542 for a new project/activity budget of \$98,812.
- **CDBG-CV-20-02 Mortgage, Rent, and/or Utility Assistance** - increase this project/activity budget by \$127,626 for a new project/activity budget of \$284,401.

The FY 2019 Annual Action Plan - Substantial Amendment is on public display for viewing by the public for a period of at least 5 days beginning on Friday, October 30, 2020 and ending on Monday, November 9, 2020 at 4:00 PM on the Borough of Chambersburg's website (<http://www.chambersburgpa.gov>).

All interested residents are encouraged to participate in this public hearing and they will be given the opportunity to present oral or written testimony concerning the proposed amendments on the use of CDBG-CV funds under the FY 2019 Annual Action Plan.

All comments received by 4:00 PM on November 9, 2020 will be considered by the Borough of Chambersburg prior to submittal of the substantial amendments to Borough Council at its Monday, November 9, 2020 Borough Council Meeting at 7:00 P.M. Written comments may be addressed to Mr. Phil Wolgemuth, Deputy Borough Manager, Borough of Chambersburg, 100 South Second Street, Chambersburg, PA 17201 or via email at pwolgemuth@chambersburgpa.gov.

Alice C. Elia, President of Town Council
Borough of Chambersburg, PA