

**NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC HEARING
REGARDING MILLCREEK TOWNSHIP'S INTENTION
TO SUBSTANTIALLY AMEND ITS FY 2020 CDBG ACTION PLAN**

Notice is hereby given that the Erie County Department of Planning on behalf of Millcreek Township will conduct a public hearing to take comment on the Township's desire to "substantially amend" its FY 2020 CDBG Action Plan which was recently approved by HUD.

The meeting will be held at 10:00 on Friday, June 19, 2020 by way of phone conference. To join in the meeting please dial: 1 929 205 6099 and enter the Meeting ID#: 885 1842 3733.

Millcreek Township was awarded \$260,982 in FY 2020 CDBG funding and will undertake two (2) activities: (1) \$230,982 for the Phase IX Sidewalk Accessibility Project; and (2) \$30,000 for Program Administration.

In addition to above allocation the Township was recently informed by HUD that it is eligible to receive a *special allocation* of CDBG funds in the amount of \$153,527 which is to be used to "prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19". The new activities proposed to be undertaken and added to the FY 2020 Action Plan consist of the following:

- 1) \$38,182 - Meals on Wheels Erie/COVID-19 Food Assistance Project
 - CDBG funds will be allocated to "Meals on Wheels" which will have meals prepared and delivered to approximately twenty (20) disabled, homebound, isolated individuals who are food insecure due to COVID-19. The meals will be provided Monday through Friday for a period of one year (260 days). A meal or Unit of Service is defined as one chilled meal (Ready-To-Heat Meal or RTH) and one cold lunch (Light Meal).
- 2) \$87,748 - Second Harvest Food Bank Assistance Project
 - CDBG funds will be allocated to the Second Harvest Food Bank to provide approximately 4,000 boxes of food to four (4) food pantries in the Township for distribution to low income, food-insecure families for a period of approximately 5-6 months.
- 3) \$20,070 - Certified Nurse Aide Training Project
 - CDBG funds will provide tuition scholarships to ten (10) Low-to-Moderate Income (LMI) Millcreek Township residents to become Certified Nursing Assistants (CNA) through a training program operated by HVA Senior Living Alliance. Each of the 10 individuals would have their tuition, text book, stethoscope/BPcuff, and Commonwealth of PA fee to take the State CNA exam paid for with CDBG monies. Also to be paid with CDBG funds is the development of a new training video, improving and enhancing quality metrics and marketing efforts to promote the available scholarship opportunities.
- 4) \$7,527 Program Administration

All interested persons are encouraged to call into the hearing. Those unable to call but who would like to comment may do so by writing or emailing:

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The Millcreek Township board of supervisors will consider whether to pass a resolution approving the "substantial amendment" at its meeting of June 23, 2020. If so approved, appropriate documentation will be submitted to HUD for approval.

Millcreek Township Board of Supervisors

*Note: Notice to appear in the in the Classified Ads Section under Public Notices in the **Friday, June 12, 2020** edition of the Erie Times News.*