

**First Public Hearing Notice for
Mifflin County and on Behalf of
The Brown, Derry and Granville Township Supervisors
and the Lewistown Borough Council
For the FFY 2021 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program**

Notice is hereby given that the Mifflin County Commissioners plan to submit an application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) for Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. The County has not been informed as to the amount of its FFY 2021 allocation nor the deadline to submit its funding request to DCED, but anticipates it will be eligible to apply for and receive approximately \$231,000, with the application to be submitted in the fall of 2021. The County will also include in its application CDBG funds estimated at \$92,000 on behalf of Brown Township, \$127,000 on behalf of Derry Township, \$103,000 on behalf of Granville Township, and \$137,000 on behalf of Lewistown Borough. The County will consider applying for Competitive CDBG funds for municipalities and projects that meet all of the competitive program criteria set forth by DCED. Applications must be a minimum of \$100,000 with no set maximum limit. The application deadline for the competitive CDBG program has not been announced.

The first of two required public hearings regarding Mifflin County and on behalf of Brown, Derry and Granville Townships, and Lewistown Borough FFY 2021 CDBG program will be held in person at each municipality as follows:

Mifflin County	May 20, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.	Mifflin County Courthouse Meeting Room A 20 North Wayne Street Lewistown, PA 17044
County applicants are required to attend a mandatory meeting with the Mifflin County Planning Commission to present their proposed project.	June 24, 2021 at 3:30 p.m.	
Brown Township	June 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.	Brown Township Municipal Building 22 Brown Township Drive Reedsville, PA 17084
Derry Township	June 7, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.	Derry Township Municipal Building 73 Reserve Lane Lewistown, PA 17044
Granville Township	June 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.	Granville Township Municipal Building 100 Helen Street Lewistown, PA 17044
Lewistown Borough	June 14, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.	Lewistown Borough Municipal Building 2 East Third Street Lewistown, PA 17044

These hearings are accessible to individuals with disabilities and/or for persons with limited English proficiency. If you wish to attend and require special accommodations, please notify the Mifflin County Planning and Development Department by 1:00 p.m. the day of the hearing at (717) 242-0887 or via e-mail at dmarks@mifflinco.org. Masks should be worn as per CDC guidelines.

Items to be discussed include a brief summary of the CDBG program in general, a review of the current Three Year Plan, the needs of the County, Brown Township, Derry Township, Granville Township and Lewistown Borough which could potentially be addressed with CDBG funds, and the performance under previously funded CDBG program years.

The following types of activities may be eligible for funding under the CDBG Program: water and sewer line replacement and improvements; housing rehabilitation; construction of affordable housing; construction/reconstruction of public/community facilities; public services that are new or provide quantifiable increases in the delivery of services; street improvements; removal of architectural barriers; code enforcement; economic development; acquisition and relocation; clearance and demolition; and program administration.

Eligible activities must meet one of three national objectives: principally benefit low-to-moderate income persons, prevention or elimination of slums or blight, meet a need having a particular urgency. At least 70% of the available funding must be used for activities which benefit low and moderate income persons. The proposed activities must benefit at least 51% low-moderate income persons in the service area to qualify as a low-moderate income project.

If the applicant would undertake activities that result in the displacement of families or individuals, then the applicant is responsible for replacing all low and moderate income housing units that may be demolished or converted as a result of the use of CDBG funds. No displacement is anticipated and every effort will be made to avoid or minimize displacement and relocation.

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be offered the opportunity to give oral testimony at the public hearing and/or to present written comments concerning the needs of Mifflin County and proposed CDBG program activities, the prior use of CDBG funds, as well as the CDBG program in general. Comments may be submitted to the Mifflin County Planning and Development Department at the address listed above by June 24, 2021 by 4:00 p.m.

