

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development is seeking public comment on the draft 2010-2015 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development, the Citizen Participation Plan, and the draft 2010-2011 annual Action Plan

A thirty-day public examination and comment period will begin April 30, 2010 and end June 1, 2010. The draft 2010-15 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development (ConPlan) is a five-year strategic plan that governs the administration of federal funding appropriated for housing and community development activities that benefit persons of low- and moderate- income. Such federal funding includes the following programs; HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), Small Cities/Community Development Block Grant(SC/CDBG), Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA). The HOME and SC/CDBG programs are administered by the Department of Economic and Community Development and the ESG and HOPWA programs are administered by the Department of Social Services. The draft 2010-15 ConPlan represents approximately \$145 million in federal funding over the five-year period. The draft 2010-11 Action Plan is the initial annual implementation plan for the five-year ConPlan. The Citizen Participation Plan describes the procedure the state will use to encourage participation and solicit input in the development of the documents related to the Consolidated Planning process. Public Hearings as listed below will be held to solicit comments on the above referenced documents.

Hartford

2:00 p.m.
May 13, 2010
Metropolitan District Commission (MDC)
Anthony H. Gallicchio Training Center
125 Maxim Road
Hartford, CT

Coventry

10:00 a.m.
May 18, 2010
Coventry Town Hall
Conference Room B
1712 Main Street (Route 31)
Coventry, Connecticut

Bridgeport

10:00 a.m.
May 14, 2010
City Hall
City Council Chambers
45 Lyon Terrace
Bridgeport, CT

State residents are urged to attend the public hearings and provide comment on the draft plans. This information will be used in the development of the above mentioned plans. For copies of the draft plans noted above or previous versions of them, please refer to the Department of Economic and Community Development's website, www.decd.org

Written comments may be sent to W. Michael Regan, Community Development Assistant Administrator, Office of Strategy and Policy, Department of Economic & Community Development, 505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106-7106 or CT.Housing.Plans@ct.gov . The deadline for submission of comments is June 1, 2010. All comments received will be addressed in the Public Commentary Section of the aforementioned plans.

Departments of Social Services and Economic & Community Development programs are administered in a nondiscriminatory manner, consistent with equal employment opportunities, affirmative action, and fair housing requirements. Questions, concerns, complaints or requests for information in alternative formats must be directed to the ADA (504) Coordinator, Antoinette Alphonse at 860-270-8022. Locations for the public hearings are handicapped accessible.

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