

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE  
AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE  
2019 MERCER COUNTY CDBG PROGRAM**

MODIFICATION of 2016 and 2017 MERCER COUNTY CDBG PROGRAM (PINE TOWNSHIP)

Notice is hereby given by Mercer County that it will hold the following September 2019 Public Hearings:

Monday, the 9th at 6:30 p.m. Pine Township, 545 Barkeyville Road, Grove City, PA 16127  
Wednesday, the 11th at 6:30 p.m. Sharpsville Borough, 1 South Walnut Street, Sharpsville, PA 16150  
Monday, the 16th at 6:30 p.m. Grove City Borough, 123 West Main Street, Grove City, PA 16127  
Thursday, the 19th at 2:00 p.m. Mercer County Courthouse Assembly Room, Mercer, PA. 16137

These meetings 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 Mercer County Regional Planning Commission 72 hours in advance at (724) 981-2412 (for TDD – dial 711 plus (724) 981-2412), [cconti@mcrpc.com](mailto:cconti@mcrpc.com).

The purpose of these Public Hearings is to discuss the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program in general, the needs of Mercer County, Sharpsville and Grove City Boroughs and Pine Township and their performance under the previously funded CDBG program years and the required Three –Year Community Development Plans.

In addition, the county intends to modify their FY 2016 and 2017 programs by transferring funds from the housing rehabilitation to the public facility activity (Removal of Architectural Barriers at Pine Township Social Hall),

Mercer County is expected to receive an allocation of approximately \$713,911 of FY 2019 CDBG funds from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. From this \$713,911, Grove City Borough will receive \$133,776, Greenville Borough \$109,585, Sharpsville Borough \$94,445 and Pine Township \$101,844. 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. The PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) have announced the application submission deadline of November 1, 2019.

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; recreational facilities; public services that are new or provide quantifiable increases in the delivery of services; street improvements; historic preservation; removal of architectural barriers; code enforcement; economic development; acquisition and relocation; clearance and demolition; and general administration, planning, audit if required, and preparation of the CDBG application.

If the county, boroughs and township would undertake activities that results in the displacement of families or individuals, then the policy for minimizing such displacement would be in effect. The county, boroughs and township are 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.

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 the Mercer County, Sharpsville and Grove City Boroughs and Pine Township proposed CDBG Program activities, the prior use of CDBG funds, as well as the CDBG Program in general. Proposals and comments may be submitted to the Mercer County Regional Planning Commission at 2491 Highland Road, Hermitage, PA 16148, [cconti@mcrpc.com](mailto:cconti@mcrpc.com) up to October 24.

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