

**Substantial Amendment to the
Monmouth County Community Development Office
Annual Action Plans for Fiscal Year 2016**

The Monmouth County Office of Community Development has been designated as the lead agency for the preparation and submission of the County's Annual Action Plans for Community Development Programs, funded by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Monmouth County Office of Community Development is proposing to amend its FY2016 One Year Action Plan component of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan. Monmouth County expects to submit the Substantial Amendment to HUD on or before November 11, 2016.

The Annual Action Plan identifies the needs of homeless, low-income and special needs populations and describes activities the County intends to undertake to address the priorities and specific objectives for housing and community development. The Plan also identifies the public and private funding sources that will be used to carry out the needs and objectives outlined in the Plan.

HUD requires the County to submit an Annual Action Plan each year, identifying the activities it intends to undertake with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership Program, and Emergency Solutions Grant funds. The County is following the Citizen Participation Process outlined in the Office of Community Development's Citizen Participation Plan. The County must hold a public comment period to obtain citizen input on any proposed changes in projects or funding allocations contained in the Action Plan, whenever the proposed changes meet the definition of a Substantial Amendment as outlined in the Citizen Participation Plan.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

The thirty day public comment period begins on September 26, 2016 and ends at midnight October 26, 2016. The County will accept comments from the public on this Amendment during this timeframe.

The Public is hereby notified that comments on the Substantial Amendment will be accepted by email to: Monmouth County Community Development Program, ATT: Sharon Rafter, Community Development Director to communitydevelopment@co.monmouth.nj.us or by fax: 732-308-2995.

The Substantial Amendment is available on the Division of Planning page of the Monmouth County website at www.visitmonmouth.com. Hard copies are available for review at the Office of Community Development, 2nd Floor, Hall of Records Annex, One East Main Street, Freehold, NJ, 07728.

No comments will be accepted by telephone.

SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT OVERVIEW:

The Substantial Amendment allows for the programming of available funds to best meet current needs as identified in the 5-Year Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans. This Amendment adds four new CDBG activities by reallocating FY2016 unallocated funds, a summary of the changes is outlined below, followed by detailed information about each of the new activities.

Community Development Block Grant Program:

The County is amending its FY 2016 Annual Action Plan, reallocating \$469,300 in funds as outlined below;

<u>Changes to CDBG-Funded Activities:</u>	<u>Prior Allocation</u>	<u>Funding Change</u>	<u>% Change in Allocation</u>
Monmouth County Housing Improvement Program (2016)	\$523,800	-\$44,244	-8.4%
FY2016 Unallocated Funds - CDBG	\$425,056	-\$425,056	-100%
Atlantic Highlands Street Improvements	\$0.00	\$119,697	New Activity
Wall Township Ada Construction and Rehabilitation, Camp Evans	\$0.00	\$61,174	New Activity
Bradley Beach: Improvements to Riley Park	\$0.00	\$142,143	New Activity
Highlands Borough Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project	\$0.00	\$146,286	New Activity

Sub-Grantee's name: Borough of Atlantic Highlands		Program: CDBG	
Project Title: Street Improvements		Objective Category:	Create Suitable Living Environments
Location: Avenue A, West Washington Avenue, Bowne Avenue, South Avenue, East Avenue Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey		Outcome Category:	Availability/ Accessibility
Priority Need: Public Infrastructure		Project ID: 2016-7	Local ID: G-14-56-892-160-220
Census Tract #: 8002	Block Group # 1 & 2	CDBG Eligible Area: Yes	HUD Matrix Code: 03K
		Type of Recipient: Municipality	IDIS Activity #: 2200
Funding Sources: Including Year			
CDBG 2016	\$119,697	Assisted Housing	
Choose an item.		PHA	
Choose an item.		Other Funding	
Prior Year Funds: CDBG 2012	\$40,160	Total:	\$159,857
<p>Description & Links to Consolidated Plan Goals:</p> <p>CDBG funds will be used to rehabilitate the existing road beds by way of base repairs as necessary, and then milling and overlaying the road width. Curbs and sidewalks, including ADA curb cuts will be replaced as needed. Additionally, low lying areas will be regraded to eliminate ponding along the roadways.</p> <p>One of the goals outlined in the Monmouth County 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan is infrastructure improvements to assist low- and moderate-income concentrated neighborhoods. This activity will help improve residents' accessibility to the elementary school, NJ Transit bus s system routes, and major regional transportation thoroughfares.</p>			

Sub-Grantee's name: Wall Township		Program: CDBG	
Project Title: ADA Construction and Rehabilitation, Camp Evans		Objective Category:	Create Suitable Living Environments
Location: 2201 Marconi Road, Wall Township		Outcome Category:	Sustainability
Priority Need: Public Facilities		Project ID: 2016-6	Local ID: G-14-56-892-160-221
Census Tract #: 8085	Block Group # 4	CDBG Eligible Area: n/a	HUD Matrix Code: 03F
		Type of Recipient: Municipality	IDIS Activity #: 2201
Funding Sources: Including Year			
CDBG	\$61,174	Assisted Housing	
Choose an item.		PHA	
Choose an item.		Other Funding	
Prior Year Funds:		Total:	\$61,174
<p>Description & Links to Consolidated Plan Goals:</p> <p>CDBG funds will be used to allow the buildings and facilities of this National Historic Landmark to be more accessible to citizens of Monmouth County so they can learn of the varied communications and technological history developed at the facility. The project provides for restoring two ADA accessible bathrooms, and installing six ADA navigable ramps to buildings housing exhibits and displays.</p> <p>This public facility improvement is one of the specific goals outlined by the Monmouth County 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan. The facilities that are being made ADA accessible include five interactive hands on museums and learning centers.</p>			

Sub-Grantee's name: Bradley Beach Borough		Program: CDBG	
Project Title: Improvements to Riley Park		Objective Category:	Create Suitable Living Environment
Location: Railroad Square, Bradley Beach		Outcome Category:	Sustainability
Priority Need: Public Facilities		Project ID: 2016-6	Local ID: G-14-56-892-160-222
Census Tract #: 8082	Block Group # 4	CDBG Eligible Area: Yes	HUD Matrix Code: 03K
		Type of Recipient: Municipality	IDIS Activity #: 2202
Funding Sources: Including Year			
CDBG	\$142,143	Assisted Housing	
Choose an item.		PHA	
Choose an item.		Other Funding	
Prior Year Funds:		Total:	\$142,143
<p>Description & Links to Consolidated Plan Goals:</p> <p>CDBG funds will be used to make improvements to Riley Park to provide for more functional uses of the facility. The existing paver area has a cross slope that does not meet ADA compliance, creating an uncomfortable surface for visitors of all ages and abilities. The paver surface area will be replaced with new pavers at a more level grade, surrounding the Memorial Monument. The project also proposes a handicap accessible stage to be used for performances and ceremonies, planter foundations, landscaping and decorative lighting.</p> <p>This public facility improvement is one of the specific goals outlined by the Monmouth County 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan. This project will allow visitors additional access to the park, and provide additional locations where the borough can host public events.</p> <p>.</p>			

Sub-Grantee's name: Highlands Borough		Program: CDBG	
Project Title: Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project		Objective Category:	Suitable Living Environment
Location: Various Locations within Highlands Borough		Outcome Category:	Sustainability
Priority Need: Public Infrastructure		Project ID: 2016-7	Local ID: G-14-56-892-160-223
Census Tract #: 8064.00	Block Group # 1004	CDBG Eligible Area: Yes	HUD Matrix Code: 03J
		Type of Recipient: Municipality	IDIS Activity #: 2203
Funding Sources: Including Year			
CDBG	\$146,286	Assisted Housing	
Choose an item.		PHA	
Choose an item.		Other Funding	
Prior Year Funds:		Total:	\$146,286
<p>Description & Links to Consolidated Plan Goals:</p> <p>The Borough of Highlands is proposing to replace the sanitary sewers from Shore Drive and Bay Avenue between Atlantic Street and Huddy Avenue. This sewer main serves over 5,000 residents with more than 48% of low/moderate income. The sanitary sewers were placed in the early 1900's and while they have been maintained, they need to be rehabilitated in order to prevent any sort of emergency.</p> <p>One of the goals outlined in the Monmouth County 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan is infrastructure improvements to assist low- and moderate-income concentrated neighborhoods.</p>			