Substantial Amendment to the Monmouth County Community Development Office Annual Action Plans for Fiscal Year 2018

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 FY2018 One Year Action Plan component of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan. Monmouth County expects to submit the Substantial Amendment to HUD on or before April 1, 2023.

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 January 30 2023 and continues through and ends at midnight March 1, 2023. 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: Laura Kirby, Community Development Director to <u>communitydevelopment@co.monmouth.nj.us</u> or by fax: 732-308-2995.

The Substantial Amendment is available on the Division of Planning, Office of Community Development page of the Monmouth County website at <u>https://visitmonmouth.com/communitydevelopment</u>. Hard copies are available for review (by appointment only) at the Office of Community Development, 2nd Floor, Hall of Records Annex, One East Main Street, Freehold, NJ, 07728. Translation services are available on the website. The Planning Board Office is handicapped accessible.

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 funds to one existing project by reallocating FY2018 funds returned from completed projects. A summary of the changes is outlined below, followed by detailed information about the funded activity.

Community Development Block Grant Program:

The County is amending its FY 2018 Annual Action Plan, reallocating \$40,923.10 in funds as outlined below;

| Changes to CDBG-Funded Activities: | Prior Allocation | <u>Funding</u> <u>Change</u> | <u>% Change in</u> <u>Allocation</u> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Monmouth Beach ADA municipal Improvements | \$53,563 | -\$99.94 | -0.19% |
| Keyport Broad Street Sidewalk Improvements | \$162,400 | -\$40,823.16 | -25.14% |
| Farmingdale Borough Fire Department Improvements (Originally funded with FY222 CDBG funds) | \$176,259 | +\$40,923.10 | 23.22% |

| Sub-Grantee's name | | Program: | Program: | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Monmouth County | | CDBG | CDBG | |
| Project Title: | | Objective Ceterer | Create Economic | |
| Fire Department Improvements | | Objective Category: | Opportunities | |
| Location: | | Outcome Categoriu | Availability/Accessibility | |
| Farmingdale Borough | | Outcome Category: | | |
| Priority Need: Project ID: | | Local ID: | | |
| Public Facility Improvements | | 2018-6 | G-14-56-892-18A-XXX | |
| Census Tract #: | Block Group # | CDBG Eligible | HUD Matrix Code: | |
| | | Area: yes | 03E | |
| 8116 | 2 | Type of Recipient: municipality | IDIS Activity #: | |
| Funding Sources: Including Year | | | | |
| CDBG 2018 | \$40,923.10 | Assisted Housing | | |
| Choose an item. | | РНА | | |
| Choose an item. | | Other Funding | | |
| Prior Year Funds: 2022 | \$174,074 | Total: | \$40,923.10 | |

Description & Links to Consolidated Plan Goals:

This project is completing improvements to the fire house in the Borough of Farmingdale. CDBG funds will be used to ensure adequate emergency services are provided to the surrounding community. Improvements include new doors, windows, and façade improvements. With the cost of materials rising, the grantee requested if additional funds were available. These reallocated funds were returned to the County from two projects completed under budget. To ensure timely expenditures of funds the County aims to re-allocate returned funds to shovel ready projects.