

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

Date: July 29, 2010

Grantee: County of Erie
c/o Erie County Department of Planning (ECDP)
Erie County Court House, Room 111
140 West 6th Street
Erie, PA 16501
(814) 451-6016

To All Interested Agencies, Groups and Persons:

On or about August 18, 2010, the County of Erie will submit a request to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to undertake the following project:

Project Name: Wesleyville Borough/Lawrence Park Township Single Family Housing Rehabilitation Project

Project Number: S-08-E-16-6-1 [WL]

Location: Wesleyville Borough and Lawrence Park Township (Community-wide)

Description: Rehabilitation of a minimum of two (2) substandard, single family, owner occupied homes to make them safe, decent, sanitary and energy efficient in accordance with HUD Section 8 Housing Quality Standards. The assistance will be made available to low-to-moderate income families. It is anticipated that one home in each municipality will be rehabilitated.

Funding: Approximately \$40,000 in multi-year CDBG funds.

The proposed project is categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act requirements. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) which documents the environmental determination is on file and available for review at the Erie County Department of Planning weekdays from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit comments on the project to the County of Erie, c/o Erie County Department of Planning (address / phone # above). All comments received by August 17, 2010 will be considered by the ECDP prior to authorizing the submission of a Request for Release of Funds.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The County of Erie certifies to the PA DCED that Barry Grossman, in his capacity as County Executive, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. PA DCED's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows Erie County to use CDBG program funds as stated above.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The PA DCED will consider objections to its release of funds and Erie County's certification for a period of eighteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases:

- the certification was not, in fact, executed by the Certifying Officer of the County of Erie;
- the County has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58;
- the County has committed funds or incurred cost not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by the PA DCED; or
- another federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with required procedures (24 CFR Part 58), and shall be addressed to:

Department of Community and Economic Development
Center for Community Building
Office of Community Development, 4th Floor
Commonwealth Keystone Building
Harrisburg, PA 1712-0025

Potential objectors should contact the PA DCED to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Barry Grossman
Erie County Executive