

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Coventry will conduct a public hearing by the Town Council on Monday, October 16, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall Annex, 1712 Main Street, Coventry, CT 06238 to discuss the Fiscal Year 2017 Community Development Block Grant program and to solicit citizen input.

Maximum award limits:

- \$700,000 for Public Facilities;
- \$700,000 for Public Housing Modernization of 25 units or less, or \$800,000 for 26 units and over;
- \$500,000 for Infrastructure;
- \$400,000 for Housing Rehabilitation Program for single towns, \$500,000 for two-town consortium, and \$600,000 for three or more Towns;
- \$25,000 for Planning Only Grants;
- \$500,000 for Economic Development Activities, and
- \$500,000 for Urgent Need.

Major activity categories are: Acquisition, Housing Rehabilitation, Public Housing Modernization, Community Facilities, Public Services, and Economic Development. Projects funded with CDBG allocations must carry out at least one of three National Objectives: benefit to low- and moderate-income persons, elimination of slums and blight, or meeting urgent community development needs.

The purpose of the public hearing is to obtain citizen's views on the Town's community development and housing needs and review and discuss specific project activities in the areas of housing, economic development or community facilities which could be part of the Town's Application for funding.

Also, the public hearing will be to give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known on the program and for approval of the Program Income Reuse Plan. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to John A. Elsesser, Town Manager, 1712 Main Street, Coventry, CT 06238, or you may telephone 860-742-6324. In addition, information may be obtained at the above address Monday – Wednesday 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM, Thursday 8:30 AM – 6:30 PM, and Friday 8:30 AM – 1:30 PM. Comments must be received by 4:30pm October 16, 2017.

The Coventry Town Manager's Office on behalf of the Towns of Coventry, Ashford, Tolland, Willington, Columbia, Bolton and Union anticipates applying for a grant amount of \$250,000 under the Public Service activity for multi-jurisdictional crumbling foundation testing of various homes. In addition the Town of Coventry will discuss its existing revolving loan fund with program income generated from the housing rehabilitation loan program.

The Town of Coventry promotes fair housing and makes all programs available to low- and moderate-income households regardless of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status, disability, sexual orientation, marital status, lawful source of income, or gender identity or expression.

All are encouraged to attend. The hearing is accessible to the handicapped. These limitations may include visual or hearing disabilities, ambulatory disability, language barrier, etc. Any disabled persons requiring special assistance or non-English speaking persons should contact John A. Elsesser, ADA Coordinator, at 860-742-6324 at least five days prior to the hearing. Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action.

Dated at Coventry, Connecticut, this 29th day of September, 2017
John A. Elsesser, Town Manager