

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Barkhamsted will conduct a public hearing by the Town Board of Selectmen on Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom to discuss the Fiscal Year 2020 Community Development Block Grant program and to solicit citizen input.

Maximum award limits:

- Up to \$1,500,000 for Public Housing Modernization (including predevelopment and construction);
- Up to \$800,000 for a Housing Rehabilitation Program;
- Up to \$1,000,000 for Infrastructure (e.g., streets and sidewalks);
- Up to \$350,000 for Public Services (Youth Homelessness and Shelter Diversion programs in participation with CAN); and
- Up to \$1,000,000 for Public Facilities (e.g., construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or installation of public facilities and improvements and fire protection equipment).

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 that could be part of the Town's Application for funding for the year 2020.

Also, the public hearing will be to give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known on the program. If you are unable to attend or participate in the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the Town of Barkhamsted, Selectman's Office, 67 Ripley Hill Road, Barkhamsted, CT 06063 or you may telephone 860-379-8285 or email the First Selectman at dstein@barkhamsted.us. In addition, information may be obtained at the above address between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on weekdays. Individual office hours may vary, and offices may be closed to the public because of COVID-19, so please check with the Selectman's office first. Zoom log-in information for the public hearing will be provided on the Town website on July 20, 2020, 24 hours before the hearing.

The Office of the Selectman on behalf of the Town of Barkhamsted anticipates applying for the maximum grant amount of approximately \$600,000 under the Activities to Support the Development of Low and Moderate Income Housing eligible activity.

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

"All are encouraged to attend. The hearing is accessible to the handicapped. Any disabled persons requiring special assistance or non-English speaking persons should contact Don Stein, First Selectman at 860-379-8285 at least five days prior to the hearing"

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