

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NO. 1  
PY 2025 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Highland County Commissioners will hold the 1st Public Hearing for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) programming on Thursday, March 20, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Office, 119 Governor Foraker Place, Hillsboro, Ohio.

The Board of Commissioners is eligible to apply to the Ohio Department of Development for funding under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Small Cities Program, and the Office of Community Development (OCD). The County is eligible to apply for Program Year 2025 CDBG funding, providing the County meets the applicable program requirements.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to provide citizens in all jurisdictions (cities, villages, etc.) with information about the entire PY25 Small Cities CDBG Program and to permit discussion of potential applications to the Ohio Department of Development. A number of PY25 CDBG programs may be available to the County including the Critical Infrastructure, Residential Public Infrastructure, Economic Development Program, Target of Opportunity, and Downtown Revitalization Program.

The Public Hearing will cover eligible activities, program requirements, funding allocations, and related matters. The CDBG program can fund a broad range of activities, including, but not limited to, economic development projects; street, water supply; and drainage and sanitary sewer improvements. The activities must be designed to primarily benefit low-to-moderate income persons, aid in the preservation or elimination of slum and blight, or meet an urgent need of the community.

A second Public Hearing will be held to discuss a specific application for a specific program mentioned above in the event application is made by the Highland County Board of Commissioners to the Ohio Department of Development under a particular program. Both Public Hearings are open to all residents of Highland County and any person or organizations desiring to speak on the matter will be afforded an opportunity to be heard or seen. Citizens from all jurisdictions (cities, villages, townships etc.) are encouraged to attend this first Public Hearing on Thursday, March 20, 2025 at 10:30 a.m., to provide their input on the County's entire CDBG Program.

Board of Commissioners  
County of Highland, Ohio  
Mary Remsing, Clerk