

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE  
CITY OF HAGERSTOWN, MARYLAND  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM**

Notice is hereby given that the City of Hagerstown, Maryland will hold a public hearing on Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 5:30 PM, at Washington County Library, Hagerstown Branch, Community Rooms 1&2, 100 South Potomac Street, Hagerstown, MD 21740. The Library is accessible to persons with physical disabilities. If special arrangements need to be made to accommodate residents in order for them to participate in the public hearing, please call Mr. Jonathan Kerns, Community Development Manager, City of Hagerstown, at (301) 739-8577 to make those arrangements, or for the hearing impaired call TDD (301) 797-6617.

The purpose of this public hearing is to gather information on Community Development Needs for the City's Annual Action Plan for FY 2020, which the City must submit to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in order to receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement Funds.

Applications for non-profit organizations seeking funding will be available on the City of Hagerstown's website ([www.hagerstownmd.org](http://www.hagerstownmd.org)) or for pick up at the Department of Community and Economic Development, 14 N. Potomac Street, Suite 200A, Hagerstown, MD 21740 on or before Monday, December 3, 2018. Applications will be available for interested parties at the Needs Hearing. In order to be considered for funding, applications must be submitted by January 11, 2019.

Based on last fiscal year's allocation, the City of Hagerstown anticipates that it will receive an estimated CDBG entitlement grant in the amount of approximately \$600,000 for FY 2020. These funding levels are contingent upon the final approval of the Federal Budget for FY 2020. In order to receive those funds, the City of Hagerstown must prepare a One Year Annual Action Plan for the use of the CDBG funds. At least 70% of the CDBG funds must benefit low- and moderate-income persons living in the City of Hagerstown. In preparing its CDBG application the City intends to afford citizens, local agencies, and interested parties the opportunity to become involved in the planning process.

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend this public hearing and they will be given the opportunity to present oral or written testimony concerning the needs of the City of Hagerstown for the CDBG program. Written comments will be accepted until January 11, 2019 and may be addressed to Mr. Jonathan Kerns, Community Development Manager, City of Hagerstown, 14 N. Potomac Street, Suite 200A, Hagerstown, MD 21740.

Bob Bruchey, Mayor of the City of Hagerstown