

## First Public Hearing Notice

### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Public Hearing

Town of Henderson

Town of Henderson will hold a public hearing on July 10, 2024 at 7:00PM at Town Offices located at 12105 Town Barn Road, Henderson, New York 13650 for the purpose of hearing public comments on the Town of Henderson's community development needs, and to discuss the possible submission of one or more Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications for the 2024 program year. The CDBG program is administered by the New York State Office of Community Renewal (OCR) and will make available to eligible local governments approximately \$25,000,000 for the 2024 program year for housing, economic development, public facilities, public infrastructure, and planning activities, with the principal purpose of benefitting low/moderate income persons. The Town of Henderson is applying for \$2,000,000 in CDBG funds to make improvement to Sewer District #1. The hearing will provide further information about the CDBG program and will allow for citizen participation in the development of any proposed grant applications and/or to provide technical assistance to develop alternate proposals. Comments on the CDBG program or proposed project(s) will be received at this time. The hearing is being conducted pursuant to Section 570.486, Subpart I of the CFR and in compliance with the requirements of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

The Town of Henderson's Town Office is accessible to persons with disabilities. If special accommodations are needed for persons with disabilities, those with hearing impairments, or those in need of translation from English, those individuals should contact Ed Glaser, Town Supervisor at 315-882-6218 at least one week in advance of the hearing date to allow for necessary arrangements. Written comments may also be submitted to Ed Glaser, Town Supervisor, 12105 Town Barn Road, Henderson, New York 13650 until July 12, 2024.

# Town of Henderson

## Community Development Block Grant

Public Hearing

July 2024

# Purpose of Tonight's Meeting

- Community Development Block Grant Program
- Announce application opportunity
- Discuss potential projects
- Enable Public Participation and Input
- Meet application process requirements
- Listen and Acknowledge Public Input

**2024**

## **Community Development Block Grants**

- Federal \$\$\$ Budgeted Through US Housing  
And Urban Development
- Administered In NYS Through the Office of  
Community Renewal (OCR) under direction  
of the Housing Trust Fund Corporation  
(HTFC)

# HUD CDBG Program Objective

The program's primary objective is:

“the development of viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment; by expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income (LMI).”

## Eligibility Criteria

- NYS must ensure that no less than 70% of its CDBG funds are used for activities that benefit low- and moderate-income persons
- Low- & moderate-income persons are defined as a member of a household whose income is less than 80% of the area median income for the household size.
- To demonstrate compliance at least 51% of the project beneficiaries must qualify as low &/or moderate income.

# Median Income – Jefferson County

- Jefferson County Median Income is \$73,100
- Low- & Moderate-Income (LMI) Persons (80% or less of County Median Income) = \$66,800
- To demonstrate compliance, at least 51% of the project beneficiaries must qualify as low &/ or moderate income.
- An Income Survey or Census Data may be used to demonstrate eligibility.
- According to the Income Survey completed in July 2021, Sewer District #1 is 53.4% LMI which qualifies the Town to seek CDBG funding for this district.

# Grant Amounts Available Under CDBG Annual Competitive Round

- **Counties, Towns, Cities or Villages  
Maximum**
  - Public Facilities \$1,000,000
  - Public Infrastructure \$1,500,000  
(water / sewer only & no co-funding)
  - Public Infrastructure \$2,000,000  
(with co-funding in place)
  - Planning \$50,000



# CDBG Funding - 2024 Round

## \$25 Million Available

- Competitive Rounds Through CFA Portal
- Funding Opportunities:
  - Public Infrastructure -  
Drinking Water, Sanitary Sewer / Storm Water Management, Public Works  
Repair / Replace existing systems, construct new water or  
sewers systems
  - Expand existing water or sewer systems into previously  
unserved areas

Note: Funding for stand alone residential water/sewer lateral connections is not available as part of the CFA – would be funded under the Housing Funding Category.

# CDBG Funding - 2024 Round

- Public Facilities

- Construction or renovation of public facilities
- Structures to Service/House Special-Needs Populations
- Structures to Service/House Senior Services or Child Care
- Removal of Architectural Barriers to Improve Handicap Access (existing building only)
- Cannot fund buildings used primarily for the general conduct of government business

# **CDBG Funding - 2024 Round**

- **Public Infrastructure**
- **Public or Private Water Source Development**
- **Water Storage & Distribution**
- **Sanitary Sewer Treatment & Collection**
- **Flood Control & Storm Water Drainage**
- **Municipal Utilities**

# CDBG Funding - 2024 Round

- Community Planning
- Community Needs Assessments
  - May focus on one or more of the following:
    - Public Infrastructure
    - Public Facilities
    - Housing &/or Economic Development
- Preliminary Engineering Report Development
  - Goal is to help initiate a planning process that will result in follow-up implementation plans to address the critical infrastructure needs outlined in the report. Report must follow CDBG guidelines.

# Community Development Funding - Non-CFA Open Round Funding

## Applications on-going

- **Economic Development**
  - Assistance to businesses for activities to attract, expand or retain business and jobs for low-moderate income individuals
  - 51% of all jobs created must be held by or made available to low- and moderate-income persons
  - Award Up to \$15,000 per job, maximum CDBG award \$750,000
- **Small Business Assistance**
  - Same purpose as above but for businesses with 25 or fewer full-time equivalent employees
  - Minimum CDBG Assistance \$25,000, Maximum CDBG Assistance \$100,000
  - Up to 40% of the total project cost.
- **Microenterprise**
  - Same purpose as above but for businesses with 5 or fewer full-time equivalent employees
  - 10% Cash Match required
  - Awards \$5,000 to \$35,000 per business.
- Open Rounds funding applications may be submitted on continual basis. Pre-submission form is required & if accepted will have 60 days to apply through the CFA portal. Awards are on a rolling basis.

# CDBG General Funding Criteria

- Fundamentals - readiness & ability to complete project
  - Is the project feasible but for (CDGB) investment?
  - Are all necessary components identified and committed?
  - Does the applicant have the necessary experience and team members to successfully complete the investment?
  - Has NEPA & SEQR been completed?
  - Can the project be completed within the 2-year CDBG contract timeframe?
- Leverage (other funding or local share)
  - Does the investment leverage significant outside resources such as third-party funds, local funds and support?
  - Availability & commitment required for projects requesting awards based on co-funding at time of application.
- Outcomes
  - Does the investment produce a transformative or priority outcome?
  - Are there Measures to demonstrate project accomplishments?

# CDBG Applications

- **Funding Announced & Applications Due By July 31, 2024 by 4:00 pm EST.**
- Technical assistance is available in development of grant proposals up until application deadline or submission of application, which ever is first.
- Applicants must hold Two public meetings
  - One completed prior to application submission to announce/discuss CDBG availability and solicit input on various application alternatives
  - Second Public Hearing required – timing to be determined by CDBG
- More Information At:  
<http://hcr.ny.gov/community-development-block-grant>

# Discussion of Potential Project(s)



● Questions?

**RESOLUTION WITH REFERENCE TO THE PROPOSED  
TOWN OF HENDERSON, JEFFERSON COUNTY, NEW YORK  
SEWER DISTRICT #1**

**WHEREAS**, a public information meeting was held on \_\_\_\_\_, for the purpose of identification of community development needs and announcement of the opportunity to apply for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds: and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Henderson engaged GYMO DPC to complete an engineering report for the development of public sewers in a portion of the Town. The report identifies the proposed infrastructure improvements and the projected costs for residents of the district: and

**WHEREAS**, affordability for Town residents and property owners is a significant concern in advancement of the proposed project: and

**WHEREAS**, the Town is eligible for CDBG funding based on the results on an income survey and must submitted a competitive application to obtain CDBG funding.

**NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED as follows:**

1. The Town Board authorizes Municipal Solutions to prepare an application for Community Development Block Grant funds from the NYS Office for Community Renewal.
2. The Town Board authorizes Supervisor Ed Glaser to execute the application for Community Development Block Grant funds from the NYS Office for Community Renewal.
2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Introduced by: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

Voting Aye: \_\_\_\_\_

Voting Nay: \_\_\_\_\_