

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE
CITY OF WHEELING, WV FY 2025 – FY 2029
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS
SECTION 108 LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM

Notice is hereby given that the City of Wheeling, WV will hold a Public Meeting on **Thursday, November 21, 2024 at 2 p.m.**, prevailing time, in the Wheeling City Council Chambers, City-County Building, 1500 Chapline Street, Wheeling, WV 26003. The Council Chambers is accessible to persons with physical disabilities. If special arrangements need to be made to accommodate residents who wish to participate in the Public Meeting, such as an interpreter, please call Ms. Nancy Prager, Economic & Community Development Director, City of Wheeling, at (304) 234-3701 to make those arrangements, or for the hearing-impaired call 7-1-1 for TDD.

The purpose of this Public Meeting is to gather information for the City's Five-Year Consolidated Plan for FY 2025 – FY 2029, the Annual Action Plan for FY 2025, and 2025 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. The City must prepare and submit to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) an application for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the HOME Investment Partnership Programs. Additionally, the Public Meeting will be used to solicit the views and comments of individuals and organizations concerning the needs for the City over the next five (5) years. Participants may also attend this Public Meeting virtually through Zoom at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89210004059?pwd=MyWtcKCyrS7KHF39oVQq7uikVXUvcc.1>, Zoom Meeting ID: 892 1000 4059
Passcode: 125963

As part of the planning process, the City is conducting a survey to identify residents' needs and ideas on how residents would like to see funds budgeted under the CDBG and HOME Programs. Please take a few minutes and complete this confidential survey to the best of your ability. The link to the resident survey is: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WheelingCDBG2025-2029>.

The City of Wheeling anticipates, based on last fiscal year's allocation, that in FY 2025 it may receive an estimated CDBG entitlement grant of approximately \$1,100,000, and approximately \$300,000 in HOME funds. These funding levels are contingent upon the final allocation of funds by HUD for FY 2025. In order to receive those funds, the City of Wheeling must prepare a Five-Year Consolidated Plan and an Annual Action Plan for the use of the CDBG and HOME funds. At least 70% of the CDBG funds must benefit low- and moderate-income persons living in the City of Wheeling. In preparing its CDBG and HOME application, the City intends to afford citizens, local agencies, and interested parties the opportunity to become involved in the planning process.

The following types of activities may be eligible for funding under the CDBG program:

Acquisition of property; disposition costs; improvements to public facilities, including the removal of architectural barriers; demolition and environmental clean-up; public services that are new or a quantifiable increase in the level of service; interim assistance; relocation payments for persons displaced as a result of a CDBG activity; rehabilitation of houses; code enforcement; special economic development activities; special activities undertaken by a community based development organization; home ownership assistance for purchase; planning; environmental reviews; program administration; audit; and other miscellaneous activities.

If the City would undertake an activity that would result in the displacement of families or individuals, then the City would utilize its policy for minimizing such displacement. Furthermore, the City is responsible for replacing all low- and moderate-income housing units that may be demolished or converted as a result of CDBG funds.

HOME funds may be used for any of the following: rehabilitation of owner-occupied housing, assistance to homebuyers, rental housing activities, tenant-based rental assistance, and administrative purposes.

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend this Public Meeting, and they will be given the opportunity to present oral or written testimony concerning the needs of the City of Wheeling and the use of CDBG and HOME funds to address those needs over the next five (5) years. Written comments may be addressed to Ms. Nancy Prager, Economic & Community Development Director, City of Wheeling, 1500 Chapline Street, Suite 305, Wheeling, WV, 26003 or submitted via email to: nprager@wheelingwv.gov.

Mr. Robert Herron
City Manager
City of Wheeling, WV

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