

# CITY OF CUMBERLAND

## 2012-2013 ACTION PLAN/CDBG PROJECT REQUEST

### PUBLIC HEARING

### PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the public that the **City of Cumberland** is currently soliciting for Community Development Block Grant Project Requests for the 2012-13 fiscal year, which begins July 1, 2012. The City will be receiving approximately \$723,000 in CDBG funds this coming year. Project requests *must* be developed to meet one of the following national objectives: 1) primarily benefit low-income persons, 2) be of an urgent and otherwise non-fundable need, or 3) address slum/blight. In addition, the City's Consolidated Plan has prioritized identified needs for the area's low-income and special needs population and projects must also address at least one of those priority goals/objectives described in the 5-year plan. Eligible types of activities include acquisition, blight removal, housing, neighborhood improvements, recreation, beautification, job creation activities, public facilities, public services, and infrastructure improvements.

The City of Cumberland will be holding its first Public Hearing to receive project requests on Tuesday, February 14, 2012 at 6:15 p.m. during the Mayor & City Council Meeting at City Hall. This meeting room is handicapped accessible. Anyone needing additional accommodations should contact the Department of Community Development, Lower Level, and City Hall at least 3 days prior to the meeting to make necessary arrangements.

The deadline to submit a project request is Thursday, February 23, 2012. Once all project requests are received, the City will rate and rank those requests based on their initial eligibility, ability to address an identified goal in the Consolidated Plan, agency capacity/experience, project complexity, matching funds, and funding availability.

If you have a specific project that you would like to have considered for funding, please submit your project request by February 23, 2012 to the City of Cumberland Department of Community Development, City Hall, 57 N. Liberty Street - Lower Level, Cumberland, Maryland 21502. If you have any questions you can contact Ms. Lee Borrer or Mr. Jay Oliver within the Department of Community Development at 301-759-6437, 301-759-6433 or TDD # 1-800-735-2258. You can also e-mail a project request or question to Lee Borrer at [lborrer@allconet.org](mailto:lborrer@allconet.org).

**MANDATORY\***  
**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON**  
**MONDAY, JANUARY 23, AND TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, AT 10:00 A.M.**

Technical assistance meetings will consist of a brief overview of the CDBG application/proposal process, guidance on new requirements within the CDBG program, and any questions related to goals or projects. Each meeting will be held in the City Hall Conference Room (2<sup>nd</sup> floor of City Hall).

**\*ATTENDANCE AT ONE OF THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE MEETINGS IS REQUIRED IN ORDER FOR ANY AGENCY/ORGANIZATION TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL FOR 2012-2013 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDING. PLEASE RSVP TO ONE OF THE MEETINGS LISTED ABOVE.**

A second public hearing will be held on Tuesday, April 10, 2012 (see agenda for final date confirmation) at 6:15 p.m. during the Mayor & City Council meeting at City Hall to adopt a draft of the 2012 Action Plan. A 30-day comment period will begin on March 23, 2012 and end on April 23, 2012 affording the public opportunity to comment on the projects proposed for funding. Final adoption of the Plan including projects for the upcoming fiscal year will occur at the end of the comment period, regular Mayor & Council meeting, Tuesday, April 23, 2012.

Community Betterment project proposals for neighborhoods with active community groups will be accepted through February 21, 2012. All questions and comments should be forwarded to Jay Oliver at 301-759-6433 or Ms. Lee Borrer at 301-759-6437.

