

NOTICE: January 9, 2020



**Community Development  
Block Grant Program – Year 46**

The Town of Stratford has determined that for planning purposes it should anticipate receiving approximately \$578,759 as its entitlement for the upcoming Community Development Year 46 Program (2020-21). The actual amount may be more or less pending final notification from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Citizen participation has always been an integral part of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. This year, in accordance with HUD's consolidated submission requirements, the Town is preparing a five-year Consolidated Housing and Community Development Strategy and Plan for Fiscal Years 2020-2024 ("Con Plan"). This planning document provides a framework for the use and expenditure of CDBG funds during the covered period in accordance with the objectives of the program. It also contains the Town's Annual Action Plan (AAP) which is developed in order to receive CDBG funds. The Town seeks your input as to the types of projects and activities it should include within its 2020 AAP for Program Year 46 that will meet the Town's identified housing and priority non-housing community development needs.

Please keep in mind that the program must primarily benefit low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons, since the Town must ensure that not less than 70 percent of the grant will be used for activities meeting this criterion.

In an effort to maximize citizen participation, the Town has prepared information on the program and the application process. For the purposes of planning and development of the Con Plan, the Town has also developed a residents' survey to solicit community input on the greatest housing and community development needs in Stratford. The survey is also available at Town Hall and various other Town locations. To learn more, complete the survey, or submit an application, please visit us online at [www.townofstratford.com/cdbg](http://www.townofstratford.com/cdbg). If you do not have access to a computer, please call the Community Development Administrator at (203) 385-4001. **The deadline to submit an application/funding proposal is 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 6, 2020.**

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