

**NOTICE**  
**SECOND PUBLIC HEARING**  
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) APPLICATION FOR**  
**CARES ACT (CDBG-CV) FUNDING**

Notice is hereby given by the County of Lawrence and On Behalf of Ellwood City, Shenango Township and Union Township, that it will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 8:00 AM at the Lawrence County Government Center, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Commissioners Meeting Room, 430 Court Street, New Castle, Pennsylvania 16101. Individuals with disabilities and/or for persons with Limited English Proficiency, if you wish to attend and require special accommodations please notify the Lawrence County Department of Planning and Community Development, Amy McKinney, Director at 724-656-2144 [amckinney@co.lawrence.pa.us](mailto:amckinney@co.lawrence.pa.us).

On March 27, 2020, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136 was signed into law to respond to the growing effects of the coronavirus public health crisis. The CARES Act provides special allocation of funds under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus.

Act 179 of 1974 of the Pennsylvania Legislature, entitled the Community Development Block Grant Program, establishes block grant entitlements for certain Cities, Boroughs, and Towns and Townships. The County of Lawrence and On Behalf of Ellwood City, Shenango Township and Union Township, is making application for a \$369,616 grant from the CDBG-CV program from the Pennsylvania Department of Planning and Community Development. At least 70% of the available funding must be used for activities which benefit low and moderate-income persons. The proposed activities must benefit at least 51% low-moderate income persons in the service area to qualify as a low-moderate income project. Activities that can be carried out with CDBG-CV grant funds include, but are not limited to Building & Improvements, Rehabilitation, including public facilities; Assistance to Businesses, including Special Economic Development Assistance; and Public Services, all with a direct impact related to a response to the coronavirus pandemic.

The Lawrence County Commissioners propose to use the funds for public services in the non-entitlement communities. Ellwood City Borough Council propose to use the funds for small business loans. Union Township Supervisors propose to use the funds for public services and PPE. Shenango Township Supervisors propose to use the funds for public services and PPE.

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be offered the opportunity to give oral testimony at the Public Hearing and/or to present written comments concerning the needs of the County of Lawrence and On Behalf of Ellwood City, Shenango and Union Townships, proposed CDBG-CV Program activities by proposals and comments which may be submitted to Lawrence County Department of Planning and Community Development, 430 Court Street, New Castle, Pennsylvania 16101, [amckinney@co.lawrence.pa.us](mailto:amckinney@co.lawrence.pa.us), by June 19, 2020 at 12:00 PM.

The County of Lawrence and On Behalf of Ellwood City, Shenango and Union Townships will present for approval the final 2020 CDBG-CV application at the Commissioner's regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at 10:00 A.M.

Legal Ad: Friday, June 5, 2020  
Proof of Publication Requested

