

CITY OF ALLENTOWN

CONSOLIDATED GRANTS PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010

July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Week of December 21, 2009 – December 25, 2009

Notices will be mailed to interested individuals, neighborhood organizations, and human service agencies providing information about the Fiscal Year 2010 (FY '10) Consolidated Grants Program (CGP). The CGP includes the Community Development Block Grant Program, the Emergency Shelter Grants Program, and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program. This year also will include planning for the Five Year Consolidated Plan with assistance from consultants, Mullin & Lonergan Associates, Incorporated (Mullin & Lonergan). **As a result, application packets are not yet available.**

Mullin & Lonergan along with City Staff will begin analyzing the City's needs and gathering data necessary to complete the plan.

Week of December 28, 2009 – January 1, 2010

A public notice will be published advertising the Consolidated Plan and CGP process for FY '10.

An on-line needs survey will be posted on the City's Website at www.allentownpa.gov.

January 13, 2010 and January 14, 2010

Mullin & Lonergan, along with City staff will conduct interviews and focus group meetings to solicit input on the City's needs. Please note the attached schedule for times and places of individual focus groups.

January 14, 2010

The City will hold public needs hearings at 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. These meetings will also serve as Public Hearings to obtain public input on the community's needs and to fulfill citizen participation requirements of the CGP. During the Public Hearings, the City also will discuss its CGP accomplishments for the 2008-2009 program year. The public hearings will be held in City Council Chambers, first floor, City Hall, 435 Hamilton Street, Allentown. Oral and written testimony will be taken at these times and will be made part of the City's permanent files.

A sign-up sheet will be available one-half hour before the hearings begin. Testimony will be taken based upon the order of signing. Those in need of translation assistance should call 610-437-7761, in advance, to make arrangements.

February 5, 2010

Applications for funding will be available in the City of Allentown Department of Community and Economic Development, 435 Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA.

February 5, 2010 to February 17, 2010

City Staff will be available to offer technical assistance in the development of FY'10 CGP proposals. Please call Heidi K. Baer at 610-437-7761, for more information and/or an appointment.

February 18, 2010

An original and six copies of the completed proposals must be received by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 18, 2010 and should be addressed to:

Director
City of Allentown
Department of Community and Economic Development
435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, PA 18101

February 22, 2010 - February 26, 2010

City Staff will evaluate the proposals received for CGP funding.

March 1, 2010 – March 5, 2010

PROPOSAL REVIEW WEEK

Third Floor Conference Room, City Hall, 435 Hamilton Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania.

These dates have been reserved for all-day and evening work sessions to evaluate testimony from the public needs hearings and proposals for CGP funding. These sessions, open to the public, are part of the decision-making process for the City's submission to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Recommendations regarding funding will be reviewed by the Mayor by March 12, 2010.

March 29, 2010

The City will publish a summary of the proposed Five Year Consolidated Plan and the FY '10 One Year Action Plan and accept public comment for at least 30 days. Comments should be sent to Director of Community and Economic Development, City of Allentown, City Hall, 435 Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA 18101. Written comments must be received by 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 28, 2010.

Funding decision letters will be sent to all applicants.

City staff will submit an outline of the CGP for City Council's April 7, 2010 agenda.

April 7, 2010

The Five Year Consolidated Plan and FY '10 One Year Action Plan will be introduced at this City Council meeting, and will be referred to Committee. (Meeting date(s) to be announced).

April 27, 2010

The City will hold final public hearings on Tuesday, April 27, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., to obtain input from the community on the proposed Five Year Consolidated Plan and FY '10 One Year Action Plan. The public hearings will be held in City Council Chambers, first floor, City Hall, 435 Hamilton Street, Allentown. Oral and written testimony will be taken at these times and made part of the City's permanent files.

April 28, 2010

Public comment period for the Five Year Consolidated Plan and FY '10 One Year Action Plan ends.

May 5, 2010

City Council will vote on the Five Year Consolidated Plan and FY '10 One Year Action Plan.

May 14, 2010

The City will submit the CGP application to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.