

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Maplewood will hold a public hearing to discuss the allocation of \$64,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds which will become available after January 1, 2022. **The public hearing will be held at 7:30 p.m. on July 13, 2021, via Zoom teleconference** (details at www.cityofmaplewood.com). To further its commitment to fair and equitable treatment of all citizens, the City of Maplewood has enacted and/or enforces the following:

A Fair Housing Ordinance prohibiting unlawful discrimination against any person because of race, sex, color, religion, disability, familial status or national origin;

A Policy of Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in the admission or access to, or employment in, its federally assisted programs or activities;

A Policy of Equal Opportunity to Participate in Municipal Programs and Services regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, familial status, national origin, or political affiliation;

A requirement for bidding on CDBG activities that promotes employment opportunities created by HUD funding and that these opportunities be afforded low-income community residents and businesses.

If you would like information regarding the above policies or if you believe you have been unlawfully discriminated against, contact the following municipal official or employee who has been designated to coordinate compliance with the equal employment opportunity requirements referenced above. Additionally, if you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may provide written comments regarding the Community Development Block Grant Program to the following municipal official:

Anthony Traxler, Acting City Manager
NAME/TITLE

7601 Manchester Road
STREET ADDRESS

Maplewood, MO 63143
CITY, STATE, ZIP

314-645-3600
PHONE

If you are a person with a disability or have special needs in order to participate in this public hearing, please contact Tiffany Hyde at 314-646-3640 no later than July 6, 2021.

For More Information Call:
314-645-3600 VOICE
1-800-735-2466 RELAY MISSOURI VOICE
1-800-735-2966 RELAY MISSOURI TDD
Equal Opportunity Employer

(As posted at City Hall, the Maplewood Public Library, the Maplewood Family Aquatic Center, Deer Creek Park, Ryan Hummert Memorial Park, Sutton Loop Park, Kellogg Park, Yale bus stop pavilion and Citizen's Park on July 1, 2021)

**St. Louis County Department of Human Services
Office of Community Development
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) OVERVIEW**

WHAT IS CDBG?

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program provides annual grants on a formula basis to entitled cities and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- to moderate-income persons.

NATIONAL OBJECTIVES

All activities funded by the CDBG program must meet one of the following National Objectives:

1. Primarily benefit low- and moderate-income residents.
2. Eliminate slums and blight.
3. Alleviate urgent, serious, and critical community needs that are of recent origin.

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- **Infrastructure & Public Facilities Improvements** - Acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or installation of public facilities and improvements, such as streets, sidewalks, parks, water and sewer facilities, sanitary sewers, neighborhood centers, parking lots, fire stations, and ADA accessibility enhancements.
- **Clearance Activities** - Clearance, demolition, and removal of buildings.
- **Public Services** - Provision of public services (including labor, supplies, and materials) including but not limited to those concerned with employment, crime prevention, child care, health, drug abuse, education, fair housing counseling, energy conservation, utility payments, or recreational needs. To be eligible for CDBG assistance, a public service must be either a new service or a quantifiable increase in the level of an existing service above that which has been provided by or on behalf of the unit of general local government. Due to federal restrictions, no more than 15 percent of a municipal allocation may be designated for public service activities without prior Office of Community Development approval. Examples of public services include crime awareness, youth services, neighborhood cleanups, and subsistence payments (rental/utility assistance).
- **Rehabilitation & Preservation Activities** - CDBG funds may be used to finance the rehabilitation of:
 - Privately owned buildings and improvements for residential purposes.
 - Low-income public housing and other publicly owned residential buildings and improvements.
 - Publicly or privately owned commercial or industrial buildings, except that the rehabilitation of such buildings owned by a private for-profit business is limited to improvements to the exterior of the building and the correction of code violations.
 - Nonprofit-owned nonresidential buildings and improvements.

INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- Improvements to buildings used for conduct of government such as a city hall.
Exceptions: Police/fire stations, community centers, ADA improvements to government buildings.
- General government expenses such as regular trash pickup.
- Political activities such as campaigns, voter registration drives.
- Activities that support religious worship or proselytizing.

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