UNION COUNTY

Community Development Block Grant
Fiscal Year 2021 - 2022
2021-2025 Consolidated Plan Substantial Amendment #1
2021 Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment #1
2020 Annual Action Plan Amendment #1
2018 Annual Action Plan Amendment #4
2021-2025 Citizen Participation Plan Amendment #1
Public Hearing and 30-day Comment Period

February 3, 2022

Union County would like your participation in the review of the 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan Substantial Amendment #1, 2021 Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment #1, 2020 Annual Action Plan Amendment #1, 2018 Annual Action Plan Amendment #4 and 2021-2025 Citizen Participation Plan Amendment #1 for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. These annual documents are required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to receive federal assistance to address housing, economic development, and community development issues. The 2021 Annual Action Plan is a component of the County's Five-Year Consolidated Plan. The 2018, 2020 and 2021 Annual Action Plans are planning documents Union County submits each year to HUD detailing how the County proposes to spend the CDBG funds during the specific program year.

Notice is hereby given that Union County proposes to amend its 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan, 2021 Annual Action Plan, 2020 Annual Action Plan, 2018 Annual Action Plan, and 2021-2025 Citizen Participation to reflect several changes. These changes include 1) the removal of the Jesse Helms Park Project for Union County Parks and Recreation (\$215,000), which along with other years' unallocated funds will be allocated between the Town of Wingate Wastewater Street Level System Infiltration Reduction Project (\$140,000) and the Town of Marshville Wastewater Street Level System Infiltration Reduction Project (\$140,000); 2) the addition of municipalities, including Fairview, Indian Trail, Mineral Springs, and Wesley Chapel, to the Union County CDBG Consortium as additional participating jurisdictions; and 3) a change to the Citizen Participation Plan for the use of CDBG funds for existing projects from a 20% to a 50% increase or decrease of the total project budget to reduce the frequency of subjecting new projects to lengthy Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan amendment processes, which have previously resulted in and are projected to result in significant delays in initiating new projects, thus hindering the County's ability to serve beneficiaries through eligible activities and spend CDBG funds in a timely manner.

The 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan Substantial Amendment #1, 2021 Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment #1, 2020 Annual Action Plan Amendment #1, 2018 Annual Action Plan Amendment #4 and 2021-2025 Citizen Participation Plan Amendment #1 are available for public review and comment from February 4, 2022, to March 5, 2022. Copies of these documents are available upon request.

Requests should be submitted to Union County, or the documents may be accessed online at <u>Community</u> <u>Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program | Union County, NC (unioncountync.gov).</u>

The County will hold both an in person and a virtual public hearing to obtain comments on these documents and proposed activities for Union County's CDBG program on Monday, February 28, 2022 from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the Union County Government Center, Conference Room located on the First Floor, 500 North Main Street, Monroe, NC 28112. Attendees will be able to access the virtual meeting via computer or telephone. To register for the virtual or in-person hearing, please contact Christina Danis. Anyone needing special modifications when attending this meeting, has non-English-speaking needs and/or if this information is needed in an alternative format because of a disability, please contact Christina Danis at (704) 688-6502 or cdanis@centralina.org. We request at least 72 hours' notice prior to the meeting to make the appropriate arrangements.

There are two ways to participate: 1) Present your comments at the in-person or at the virtual public hearing or 2) send written comments via letter to 500 North Main St., Monroe, NC 28112 Attn: Clayton Voignier, CDBG Citizen Participation Coordinator/Director of Strategy and Innovation, or via email to CDBG@unioncountync.gov. All letters and emails must be received by March 5, 2022, to be considered for the publication of the amendments.