

**CITY OF CANTON
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)
EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG)
HOME GRANT
CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN
ANNUAL PLAN SUMMARY**

CITIZEN INPUT VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING
FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2020 AT 10:00 A.M.

Public Hearing

The City of Canton will hold a Virtual Public Hearing on its FY 2020 Annual Action Plan and Citizen Participation Plan on Friday, August 28, 2020 at 10:00 A.M. To access the virtual meeting, please visit our website at: www.cantonohio.gov/254/Development . The purpose of this hearing will be to obtain citizen input and comments on the City's FY 2020 Annual Action Plan and Budget and updated Citizen Participation Plan.

Consolidated Plan Summary

The Consolidated Plan is a consolidation of various Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Programs, including the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program, and the HOME Program. The City of Canton receives funding directly from HUD.

As an entitlement community, the City of Canton is responsible for the preparation of a local strategic plan for community development, as well as a Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan that describes the housing and community development activities to be carried out with the City's CDBG, ESG, and HOME funding resources.

The City of Canton's Community Development Annual Action Plan describes the City's priority community development needs eligible for assistance under the CDBG, ESG and HOME Programs, including an assessment of housing, homelessness, public facilities, infrastructure improvements, public services, accessibility, historic preservation, economic development, and planning needs. The plan includes the City's short-term community development objectives that have been developed to address the national goals of the CDBG, ESG and HOME programs, which include:

1. The provision of decent housing that is affordable to low and very low income households.
2. The provision of a suitable living environment, improving the safety and livability of neighborhoods, increasing access to quality facilities and services, improving housing opportunities, and revitalizing deteriorated neighborhoods.
3. The expansion of economic opportunities, creating jobs that promote long term economic and social viability and that are accessible to low and very low income persons.

The City is considering amending its Citizen Participation Plan to allow the City to respond according to HUD guidelines to address disasters. The amendment process will be included as part of the 2019-2023 Consolidated Plan and FY 2020 Annual Action Plan.

Information on the City's Community Development programs is also available online at www.cantonohio.gov/254/Development

Canton FY 2020 Annual Action Plan

The City of Canton is recommending the following budget for its FY 2020 Annual Action Plan.

CDBG	
Residential Rehab	\$1,086,921.00
Public Facilities and Improvements	\$317,000.00
Public Service Activities	\$375,000.00

Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area	\$337,803.00
Economic Development	\$117,000.00
General Management	\$529,018.00

HOME

General Management	\$31,397.00
New Construction	\$410,000.00
CHDO	\$93,363.00
Rental Rehab	\$500,000.00
Down Payment Assistance	\$50,000.00

ESG

ESG 20 Canton	\$227,312.00
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Citizen Comment Period

The City of Canton's FY 2020 Annual Action Plan and Budget and Citizen Participation Plan will be available for public review on the City's website beginning Wednesday, August 26, 2020 at the following URL: www.cantonohio.gov/254/Development
The public comment period is open from August 26, 2020 to Sunday August 30, 2020. Interested parties may submit written comments and questions via email to communitydevelopment@cantonohio.gov any time during the public comment period.
Emailed comments must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on August 30, 2020.

The purpose of the public comment period is to receive input regarding the above-mentioned plan that outlines proposed programs.

To accommodate social distancing and stay-home orders, both the mega waiver and the CARES Act allow public hearings to be held virtually for 2019 and 2020 plans. Public comment periods may be shortened to five days including weekends.

All citizens, particularly low and moderate income residents of slum and blighted areas, are encouraged to submit their views and proposals regarding community development and housing needs.

