



PUBLIC COMMENT NOTICE

Draft Substantial Amendment

Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Grant (CDBG-DR) Action Plan

The Cook County Department of Planning and Development within the Bureau of Economic Development has been awarded an additional \$14,816,000 in CDBG-DR funding (which combined with the initial \$68,800,000 award results in total available funds of \$83,616,000) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to assist disaster recovery efforts in response to declared major disasters occurring in Cook County in 2013. These funds can be used only for specific disaster recovery-related purposes. The County is required by HUD prepare a draft strategy for the proposed uses of these funds. The County is accepting public comments regarding its Draft Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Grant (CDBG-DR) Action Plan.

Applicable Public Comment Period: *30 Days – April 13 through May 12, 2015*

Public Comment Opportunities

An important part of the process of developing the Draft Substantial Amendment to the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Grant (CDBG-DR) Action Plan is to promote citizen participation and solicit input. The Draft may be reviewed at the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development offices at 69 West Washington Street, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60602, **or on-line at the Cook County website:** <http://blog.cookcountyil.gov/economicdevelopment/cdbg-dr> during the applicable public comment period specified above.

All interested parties are encouraged to provide written comments. Written comments for the Draft are being accepted during the applicable public comment period specified above and must be received by noon on May 12, 2015 in order to receive consideration. Written comments must be directed to Jennifer Miller, Cook County Department of Planning and Development, 69 West Washington, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60602, jennifer.miller@cookcountyil.gov.

Additionally, the primary components of the Draft Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Grant (CDBG-DR) Action Plan will be presented at upcoming public hearings conducted by the Cook County Economic Development Advisory Council (EDAC) and the Cook County Board of Commissioners. Please see these links for meeting details and agendas: <http://blog.cookcountyil.gov/economicdevelopment/edac/> and <http://www.cookcountyclerk.com/countyboard/pages/default.aspx>.