BELKNAP COUNTY Public Hearing Notice Community Development Block Grant Project

The Belknap County Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on September 17, 2020 at 5:15 p.m. in conference room #1 at 34 County Drive, Laconia, New Hampshire. The hearing is open to the public for in person participation, via Zoom and streamed live on the County Facebook page.

Zoom meeting ID: 899 3714 8471

Passcode: 411238

Zoom phone participation: 1-646-558-8656

(To speak during public comment press *9 and you will be unmuted to speak)

Community Development Block Grant funds are available to municipalities through the NH Community Development Finance Authority. Up to \$500,000 annually is available for economic development projects, up to \$500,000 for public facility, up to \$500,000 for housing projects, and up to \$500,000 for emergency activities. Up to \$25,000 is available per planning study grant. All projects must directly benefit a majority of low and moderate income persons. Community Development Block Grant-COVID (CDBG-CV) funds were authorized under the CARES ACT. Up to \$500,000 in CDBG-CV funding is available to municipalities. Funding is available to municipalities for new services; or a quantifiable increase in the level of a service above that which has been provided during the 12 months prior to application, both which must be attributed to the COVID-19 pandemic. CDBG-CV funding is also available to nonprofit public service organizations, as sub applicants to the municipality, for activities associated with preparing for, responding to, or recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic. Activities must serve primarily low and moderate income persons.

This is an application for CDBG-CV Public Service. Eligible expenses for the municipality include, but not limited to, increased welfare costs, increased homeless housing costs, and new services provided by the municipality attributed to the COVID-19 pandemic. Eligible nonprofit public service expenses include costs preparing for, responding to, or recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic including, but not limited to, childcare services, food banks, senior services, services for persons with disabilities, legal services, resident services, youth services, transportation services, health, mental health and substance abuse services, financial literacy, foreclosure and homebuyer counseling, homeless services, education outside of school building, tutoring, furniture, equipment, and additional services provided. Sub applicants may include, but not limited to: Boys & Girls Club, Community Action Program, Greater Lakes Region Child Advocacy Center, Horizons Counseling Center, Lakes Region Mental Health Center, Navigating Recovery, and Partnership Public Health.

At the public hearing the amount of the municipality request and purpose of funding request will be stated. In addition, each supplicant organization, associated funding request amount and purpose will be stated.

Provisions for persons with special needs can be made by contacting the Commissioner's Office, via telephone (527-5400) or mail, at least five days prior to the public hearing. Informational document on these public hearings will be available on the County's website at www.belknapcounty.org

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