TOWN OF STAFFORD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Stafford will conduct a public hearing by the Board of Selectmen on Tuesday, May 5, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. in the Veteran's Meeting Room of the Warren Memorial Town Hall, 1 Main Street, Stafford Springs to discuss the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Community Development Block Grant program and to solicit citizen input.

Maximum award limits are: up to \$1,500,000 for Public Housing Modernization (including pre-development and construction); up to \$800,000 for a Housing Rehabilitation Program; up to \$1,000,000 for Infrastructure (for example: streets and sidewalks); up to \$350,000 for Public Services (Youth Homelessness and Shelter Diversion programs in participation with CAN); and up to \$1,000,000 for Public Facilities (for example: construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or installation of public facilities and improvements and fire protection equipment).

Major activity categories are: Acquisition, Housing Rehabilitation, Public Housing Modernization, Community Facilities, Public Services, and Economic Development. Projects funded with CDBG allocations must carry out at least one of three National Objectives: benefit to low- and moderate-income persons, elimination of slums and blight, or meeting urgent community development needs.

The purpose of the public hearing is to obtain citizen's views on the Town's community development and housing needs and review and discuss specific project activities in the areas of housing, economic development or community facilities which could be part of the Town's Application for funding for the year 2020. In addition, the Town's current 2018 Small Cities grant under the Housing Rehabilitation category will be discussed to obtain citizen input on it.

Also, the public hearing will give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known on the program and for approval of a potential Program Income Reuse Plan. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the Town of Stafford, First Selectman's Office, Warren Memorial Town Hall, 1 Main Street, Stafford Springs, Connecticut 06076, or you may telephone 860-684-1777. In addition, information may be obtained at the above address between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday and between 8:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. on Thursday.

The First Selectman's Office on behalf of the Town of Stafford anticipates applying for the maximum grant amount of 1,000,000 under the Public Facilities category for the Handicap Accessibility of the Warren Memorial Town Hall. Program income is not expected under this grant application – a revolving loan fund will not be generated from this project.

All are encouraged to attend. The hearing is handicapped accessible. If you would like to attend the public hearing and require special assistance, or if you are non-English speaking and require an interpreter, please contact the Town's ADA coordinator at 860-684-1777 to make accommodations at least five days prior to the hearing.

The Town of Stafford promotes fair housing and makes all programs available to lowand moderate-income families regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, marital status, age, lawful source of income, familial status, learning disability or physical/mental disability, or sexual orientation.

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