



July 31, 2015

TO: Office of Community Development (OCD) Award Recipients and Affiliates
FROM: Michael A. Hiler, Deputy Chief, Office of Community Development
SUBJECT: *Michael A. Hiler*
Program Year 2016 Ohio Consolidated Plan Citizen Participation Process

The Ohio Development Services Agency's (ODSA) Office of Community Development (OCD) is responsible for drafting the **Program Year (PY) 2016 Ohio Consolidated Plan**. This memo outlines the **PY 2016 Ohio Consolidated Plan** drafting process and explains citizen participation opportunities.

Public Hearing on Needs

September 9, 2015

1 p.m.

**77 South High Street, Room 1960
Columbus, Ohio 43215**

OCD conducts the **Public Hearing on Needs Issues** to receive comments regarding OCD-administered programs. Verbal and written comments may be submitted during the hearing. Written comments may also be submitted no later than 5 p.m. September 16, 2015 via email or mailed to address below:

Office of Community Development
Ohio Development Services Agency
77 S. High Street, P. O. Box 1001
Columbus, Ohio 43216-1001
Attn: Ian Thomas

Email: ian.Thomas@development.ohio.gov

Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report

On or about September 1, 2015, the **Draft PY 2014 Ohio Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)** will be posted on ODSA's Ohio Consolidated Plan [web page](#). Copies of the **Draft PY 2014 Ohio CAPER** also will be available during the **Public Hearing on Needs Issues**. Public comments regarding the **Draft PY 2014 Ohio CAPER** will be accepted during the hearing, or any time during the 15-day comment period from September 1, 2015 to September 16, 2015. Comments should be mailed or e-mailed to Ian Thomas, no later than 5 p.m. on September 16, 2015, at the mailing or e-mail address listed above.

Ohio Consolidated Plan Advisory Committee Meetings

On September 29 and 30, 2015, the **PY 2016 Ohio Consolidated Plan** Program Advisory Committee meetings will be held at the Creekside Conference and Event Center in Gahanna, Ohio. These meetings provide an opportunity to discuss and comment on specific policies and requirements pertaining to current OCD programs, covering the Community Housing Impact and Preservation (CHIP) Program, the Housing Development Assistance Program (HDAP), the Supportive Housing and Homelessness Programs, the Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Program, the Community Development Program, the Economic Development Loan and Infrastructure Program, the Comprehensive Downtown Revitalization Program and Fair Housing. If you or your staff would like to serve on one or

more of the **PY 2016 Ohio Consolidated Plan** Program Advisory Committees, please send a letter to Ian Thomas at the above-listed address by September 1, 2015, indicating your program area of interest and which organization or community you are representing. Only one representative of an organization or community will be allowed to serve on a particular committee. Committee participation will be solicited by invitation due to space limitations. Meetings are open to the public, insofar as space allows.

Ohio Consolidated Plan Public Hearing

March 10, 2016*
Time to be determined
77 South High Street, Room 1960
Columbus, Ohio 43215

A public hearing on the **Draft PY 2016 Ohio Consolidated Plan** is an opportunity for OCD to receive public comments on the draft plan during the 30-day comment period from March 1, 2016 to March 31, 2016. Comments should be directed to Ian Thomas at the mailing or e-mail address listed above.

Background

The **Ohio Consolidated Plan** governs distributing approximately \$63 million in federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), including funds from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, HOME Investment Partnerships Program, Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Program. A description of current policies, programs and activities assisted with the HUD funds is available in the **PY 2015 Ohio Consolidated Plan** available on ODSA's Ohio Consolidated Plan [web page](#). Information regarding the HUD program regulations and requirements can be found on HUD's Quick Links [web page](#).

Questions

Questions regarding the **PY 2016 Ohio Consolidated Plan** citizen participation process should be directed to Ian Thomas at (614) 466-8744 or Ian.Thomas@development.ohio.gov.

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* The date and time of the Ohio Consolidated Plan Public Hearing are tentative. Please check with OCD in late February for meeting details.