

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)
COUNTY OF PIKE**

The purpose of this notice is to: 1) notify the public of the availability of tranches 2 and 3 of CDBG-CV funding; 2) notify the public of reallocation of FFY 2017, 2017, and 2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds; and advertise and encourage participation in a public hearing on November 3, 2021 at 12 p.m.

**AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS
CDBG-CV**

Pike County has the opportunity to apply for a competitive CDBG-CV grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development. Funds will be used to meet one of three CDBG national objectives: 1) benefit low- and moderate-income (LMI) individuals; 2) aid in the elimination of slums and blight; or 3) meet a need having a particular urgency. At least 70% of this funding will be used to benefit low- and moderate-income individuals.

The following types of activities may be eligible for funding under this CDBG-CV funding: public services, broadband, and housing rehabilitation that will assist elderly and disabled households to age in place preventing congregate living and those individuals and families with health-related issues that make them susceptible to the COVID-19 such as asthma, lead and other environmental conditions. All activities funded through this grant must prevent, prepare for, and/or respond to coronavirus (COVID-19).

If Pike County would undertake activities that result in the displacement of families or individuals, then Pike County's policy for minimizing such displacement would be in effect. Pike County is responsible for replacing all low- and moderate-income housing units that may be demolished or converted as a result of the use of CDBG funds.

Pike County welcomes suggestions for use of these funds based on community needs. Suggestions may be either: 1) shared at a public hearing on November 3, 2021 at 12 p.m.; or 2) submitted within 10 days of this notice to Robert Ruiz, Executive Director of Human Development, at r Ruiz@pikepa.org.

**NOTICE OF MODIFICATION
FFY 2017, 2018, and 2020 (CDBG-CV)**

In accordance with CDBG regulations, the County of Pike is allowed to modify its budget in accordance with its Citizen Participation Plan. To address the needs of businesses and citizens related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the County will amend CDBG funding for FFY 2017, 2018, and 2020 (CDBG-CV) as follows:

FFY 2017	
Small Business Forgivable Loan Program	-\$35,000

Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation	+\$35,000
FFY 2018	
Direct Homeowner Assistance	-\$196,500
Homeownership Counseling	-\$3,500
Rental Housing Rehabilitation	+\$200,000
FFY 2020 (CDBG-CV)	
Rental Assistance	-\$102,265
Child Care Scholarships	+\$102,265

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Pike County will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 12 p.m. The purpose of the public hearing is to take views and comments from the public related to the CDBG funding reallocation plans for FFY 2017, 2018, and 2020 (CDBG-CV) and the availability of tranches 2 and 3 of CDBG-CV funding. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be offered the opportunity to give oral testimony at the Public Hearing.

The public hearing will be held in the public hearing room at 506 Broad Street, Milford, PA. The meeting will also be available online via Zoom. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend. To join the hearing, go to: www.my-voice.link/pikecounty. The public can also join the hearing by calling (929) 436-2866 and entering meeting ID 824 2792 6901 and passcode 655773.

This meeting is accessible to individuals with disabilities and/or for persons with Limited English Proficiency. If you are a person with a disability or limited English proficiency and require an auxiliary aid, service, or accommodations to participate, please contact Robert Ruiz, Executive Director of Human Development, at (570) 296-3434 or r Ruiz@pikepa.org, to discuss how to best accommodate your needs. Translators will be available at public meetings upon advance request.

The public is encouraged to provide written comments to Robert Ruiz, Executive Director of Human Development, at r Ruiz@pikepa.org or 506 Broad Street, Milford, PA 18337. Written comments should be received at or before the public hearing.

Any complaints, grievances, or comments regarding any components of the program should be written and submitted to Robert Ruiz, Executive Director of Human Development, at r Ruiz@pikepa.org or 506 Broad Street, Milford, PA 18337. Written responses will be addressed within 15 working days when practicable.

Pike County does not discriminate in any of its programs on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, ancestry, familial status, disability, or use of guide or support animals because of the blindness, deafness, or physical handicap of the user or because the user is a handler or trainer of support or guide animals.

