The County of Blair has begun to prepare its Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (Cares Act) CDBG-CV application to the Pennsylvania Development of Community & Economic Development (DCED). Six (6) entitlement communities [Hollidaysburg and Tyrone Boroughs, Antis, Blair, Frankstown and Greenfield Townships] along with the County of Blair under one application. The County of Blair will receive an allocation of $556,738.

Pennsylvania CDBG-CV funds may be used for a broad range of activities that include, but not limited to: community facilities, public service activities, removal of architectural barriers, property acquisition, fair housing activities, housing rehabilitation, water supply, drainage and sanitary sewer improvements and associated planning and administration. CDBG-CV activities must also be directly connected to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus. The primary national objectives of the CDBG Program is to benefit to low-to-moderate income persons, elimination of slums and blight and urgent need. At least 70% must be used to benefit low-to-moderate income persons. Additionally, the County of Blair will be responsible for replacing all low-to-moderate income housing units that are demolished or converted as a result of CDBG-CV funded activities.

The Blair County Board of Commissioners and municipal officials, encourage interested citizens to attend any of the scheduled public hearings to provide their community’s needs and present their views upon the use of CDBG-CV funds or upon the use of any prior year CDBG funds. The Blair County Board of Commissioners will consider all comments received during the public participation process prior to the submission of the CDBG-CV application to DCED.

The County of Blair has scheduled a series of seven (7) public hearings for residents, agencies and/or organizations who are interested in expressing their views or community’s needs. The CDBG-CV public hearings will be held in conjunction with the County’s FY2020 CDBG public hearings. Due to COVID-19 public hearings will be conducted virtually via telephone conference. Interested citizens can participate by DIALING 1-408-419-1715 enter Meeting ID 2468097683# during any of the following scheduled meetings:

- **ANTIS TOWNSHIP**
  - DATE: Wednesday, June 24, 2020
  - TIME: 7:00 P.M.

- **GREENFIELD TOWNSHIP**
  - DATE: Thursday, June 25, 2020
  - TIME: 7:00 P.M.

- **FRANKSTOWN TOWNSHIP**
  - DATE: Friday, June 26, 2020
  - TIME: 7:00 P.M.

- **HOLLIDAYSBURG BOROUGH**
  - DATE: Monday, June 29, 2020
  - TIME: 7:00 P.M.

- **TYRONE BOROUGH**
  - DATE: Tuesday, June 30, 2020
  - TIME: 7:00 P.M.

- **BLAIR TOWNSHIP**
  - DATE: Wednesday, July 1, 2020
  - TIME: 7:00 P.M.

- **BLAIR COUNTY (Non-Entitlements)**
  - DATE: Thursday, July 2, 2020
  - TIME: 7:00 P.M.

Should any interested participant require special accommodations, auxiliary aids due to disability or limited and non-English speaking languages, please contact Trina M. Illig, Grant Coordinator for Community Development at 814-693-3023 Ext.1489 at least 2 days prior to the hearing date to ensure needs will be accommodated.

Written comments may also be submitted by addressing them to: Trina M. Illig, Grant Coordinator for Community Development, Department of Social Services, Blair County Courthouse, 423 Allegheny Street, Ste 441B, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648 or by Email at: publiccomment@blairco.org