

STATE OF ILLINOIS PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Hearing:

The Draft State of Illinois Consolidated Plan - 2019 Annual Performance Report; Changes to the Citizen Participation Component of the Consolidated Plan; and, Substantial Amendment to the State of Illinois HOPWA Program under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES ACT) for the State of Illinois 2019 Consolidated Plan – Action Plan

In order to obtain public input from Illinois residents, and in compliance with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) rules, which require the State to develop a Consolidated Plan, the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA), in coordination with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO), the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS), and the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) announces the availability of the draft 2019 Annual Performance Report (APR). The APR is the report on the Action Plan portion of the State Consolidated Plan, and covers Calendar Year 2019 (January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019). This draft document will be available to the public electronically on May 14, 2020.

The Draft State Annual Performance Report (APR) generally covers those areas of the State that are not otherwise under the jurisdiction of a local Consolidated Plan. It includes summaries of the performance reports for the following formula grant programs: the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG); HOME Investment Partnerships; the National Housing Trust Fund (NHTF); Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG); and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA). An electronic version will be available on IHDA's website, www.ihda.org

Additionally, pursuant to applicable waivers granted by HUD through **the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act)** to 24 CFR 91.05(c)(2) and subpart B of the federal regulations (relating to citizen participation for Community Planning and Development Programs), the State is amending the 2019 Annual Action Plan public participation process, and is announcing the proposal to expedite the Citizen Participation process available to the public via this notice. This change shortens the State's response time in meeting needs caused by the Corona Virus pandemic while ensuring public health.

The Illinois Department of Public Health, as administrator of the State of Illinois' federal Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program (HOPWA) intends to amend the State of Illinois' 2019 Action Plan in order to expend the one-time non-renewable Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES ACT) award in the amount of \$284,344. Pursuant to the waivers and public participation process change noted above, the State is providing notice of a five-day public comment period, as part of the HUD-sanctioned public participation exemption process. The proposed use of these one-time funds, and the amounts involved, will be available to the public electronically on May 25, 2020 on IHDA's website, www.ihda.org and the IDPH website at <http://dph.illinois.gov/>

As stated above in this notice, the State proposes revision of the Consolidated Plan's Citizen Participation Plan to include the 5-day comment period as well as other changes. The revised Citizen Participation Plan will be available for review on IHDA's website at www.ihda.org on May 25, 2020

The State will hold one public hearing on Friday, May 22, 2020 at 11:00 A.M. Considering Coronavirus 2019, a novel severe acute respiratory illness spread among people through respiratory transmissions, the hearing will take place via WebEx and telephone only. No in-person attendance will take place on May 22, 2020.

The day of the hearing, access the hearing information posted on the website, or call 1-415-655-0003 and enter the following access code: 284207975.

Written comments should be emailed to IHDA at bhughes@ihda.org or submitted during the public hearing.

Hearing-impaired and sight-impaired individuals in need of services such as an interpreter or documents in large-print/Braille are asked to make requests directly to IHDA at the telephone numbers below at least three (3) days before the public hearing. IHDA will make reasonable efforts to accommodate such requests. To obtain additional information concerning the public hearing, please call (312) 836-5320 or TDD/TTY (312) 836-5222.

The 15-day public comments period for the 2019 APR will run from Thursday, May 14, 2020 until Friday, May 29, 2020.

The 5-day public comments period for the HOPWA Substantial Amendment to the 2019 Annual Action Plan will run from Monday May 25, 2020 to Friday, May 29, 2020.

All public comments must be received at IHDA by close of business on Friday, May 29, 2020. The State will then be submitting the final Annual Performance Report to HUD. For further information, contact:

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