

**NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND  
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS  
CORRECTIVE NOTICE**

November 10, 2022  
Westmoreland County  
40 N. Pennsylvania Avenue, Ste 520  
Greensburg PA 15601  
724-830-3650

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania.

**REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about November 10, 2022, Westmoreland County will submit a request to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383) (Act), as amended, to undertake a project known as Union Mission Shelter Construction. This project involves the construction of a 12-14 single unit shelter for people experiencing homelessness. Upon completion, the shelter will provide long-term shelter for 6-12 months. The undertaking of the public facility project will address immediate community needs with the shelter options that will allow for physical distancing within the shelter system and mitigate the efforts of the current and future spread of the coronavirus or future pandemic emergencies. The location of the project will be located at 2217 Harrison Avenue, Derry Township, Pennsylvania. The HUD funding source is from the FY2019 and FY2020 Community Development Block Grant CARES Act (CDBG-CV) funds. The estimated total CDBG-CV HUD funded amount is \$2,332,000.

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

Westmoreland County has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at Westmoreland County's Department of Planning and Development, 40 N. Pennsylvania Avenue, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Ste. 520, Greensburg PA 15601; and may be examined or copied weekdays 8 A.M to 4 P.M.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Westmoreland County Department of Planning and Development, 40 N. Pennsylvania Avenue, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Ste 520, Greensburg PA 15601. They may also email Janet Thomas, Deputy Director at [JThomas@co.westmoreland.pa.us](mailto:JThomas@co.westmoreland.pa.us). All comments received by November 28, 2022 will be considered by Westmoreland County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing. The comment and objection period are being run concurrently.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

Westmoreland County certifies to HUD that Sean Kertes in his capacity as Chairman of the Westmoreland County Board of Commissioners, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows Westmoreland County to use Program funds.

## **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

Because this is a corrective Notice, the HUD objection period will run concurrently with the County of Westmoreland's comment period. HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and Westmoreland County's certification for a period of eighteen (18) days following the anticipated submission date of November 10, 2022, or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of Westmoreland County (b) the Responsible Entity has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to the Pittsburgh Field Office CPD Director, Phillip E. McKeough via e-mail: [Phillip.E.McKeough@hud.gov](mailto:Phillip.E.McKeough@hud.gov) or phone: (412) 644-5846. Potential objectors should contact the Pittsburgh HUD Office via email or phone to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Sean Kertes, Chairman, *Westmoreland County Board of Commissioners*

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