

NOTICE OF FIRST PUBLIC HEARING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAMS

Lorain County is eligible to apply for funds under the Fiscal Year FY 2013 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Small Cities Program, a federally-funded program and other related programs administered by the State of Ohio, Department of Development. Lorain County may apply for FY 2013 funding under the Small Cities Community Development Program (Formula) including Neighborhood Revitalization, Downtown Revitalization and Critical Infrastructure set-aside programs, Water and Sewer, Economic Development, Discretionary, and Imminent Threat, and Community Housing Improvement Program grants. Lorain County is eligible for approximately \$500,000 of Fiscal Year FY 2013 Community Housing Improvement Program funding and approximately \$300,000 of Fiscal Year FY 2013 Community Development Program funding with \$300,000 being available for each of the competitive set-aside programs through the Community Development program providing the County meets applicable program requirements.

The first of two public hearings will be held on Wednesday, February 13, 2013 at 9:45 a.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room B, located on the fourth floor of the County Administration Building, 226 Middle Avenue, Elyria, Ohio 44035, to provide citizens with pertinent information about the CDBG program including an explanation of eligible activities and program requirements. The CDBG program can fund a broad range of activities, including: economic development projects, street, water supply, drainage and sanitary sewer improvements, park acquisition and improvements, demolition of unsafe structures, rehabilitation of housing, and neighborhood facilities. The activities must be designed to primarily benefit low-and moderate-income persons, aid in the prevention or elimination of slum and blight, or meet an urgent need of the community.

Citizens are encouraged to attend this meeting on Wednesday, February 13, 2013 at 9:45 a.m. to provide their input on the County's CDBG programs. No final decisions regarding projects will be made at this hearing.

Public Hearing Date: 9:45 a.m., Wednesday, February 13, 2013

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