Public Hearing Notice State of Georgia's Annual Action Plan Federal Fiscal Year 2015/State Fiscal Year 2016

The Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) is currently preparing the Federal Fiscal Year 2015 Annual Action Plan that details how the State proposes to use the resources during the State Fiscal Year 2016, which begins July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016.

The Plan covers the federal funded programs requirements from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG); HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME); Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG); and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Programs. The Consolidated Plan describes Georgia's existing housing conditions and how state, local, private and federal resources will be used to address the identified needs during that five year period.

A key component in the successful development of the Annual Action Plan is the citizen participation process through which the State receives public input and direction on the state's housing and community development needs. The State has scheduled three public hearings to solicit citizen input. All comments should be emailed to december.thompson@dca.ga.gov or mailed to:

FFY2015 Action Plan Comments Georgia Department of Community Affairs 60 Executive Park South NE Atlanta, GA 30329-2231

For more information about the public input hearings, please call (404) 327-6830 or (404) 679-4915 for TDD phone users.

Dates, times, and locations of these hearings are as follows:

Tuesday, November 18, 2014 6 PM – 8 PM

Washington-Wilkes Public Hearing

Pope Conference Center 48 Lexington Avenue Washington GA 30673

Wednesday, November 19, 2014 6 PM – 8 PM

Hinesville Public Hearing

City of Hinesville City Council Chambers 115 East M. L. King, Jr. Dr Hinesville GA 31313

Wednesday, December 10, 2014 2 PM – 4 PM

Metro Atlanta Public Hearing

Department of Community Affairs Board Room 60 Executive Park South NE Atlanta GA 30329

Thursday, December 17, 2014 2 PM

Public Hearing Webinar https://www4.gotomeeting.com/register/541772967

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https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/FFY2015ActionPlan

In addition, DCA is requesting citizen input for the State of Georgia's Non-Entitlement Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Programs Method of Distribution that will be available on November 18, 2014 on the website: http://www.dca.ga.gov/communities/CDBG/index.asp. Written comments should be emailed to michael.casper@dca.ga.gov.

Comments for the Action Plan and the CDBG Program are due on December 22, 2014 by 5:00 PM

The Goals & Methods of Distributions on how the State proposes to use the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Programs' resources during the State Fiscal Year 2016 will be posted on DCA's web site at http://www.dca.ga.gov/communities/CommunityInitiatives/programs/ConsolidatedPlan.asp on Monday, December 8, 2014. Written comments should be emailed to housingplanning@dca.ga.gov.

Comments for the Method of Distribution for the ESG & HOPWA Programs are due on January 8, 2015 by 5:00 PM

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