New Bedford to host 2 public meetings to discuss its 5-Year Planning Process, Action Plan and Impediments to Fair Housing

The City of New Bedford's Office of Housing and Community Development will be hosting two (2) public meetings next week to discuss its 5-Year Consolidated Planning Process, Annual Action Plan and Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing. We want to hear what you think are the greatest housing and community development needs and priorities within the City of New Bedford!

Please join us at one of the following Community Meetings next week:

- Tuesday | January 14, 2020 Carney Academy, 247 Elm Street (6pm 7:30pm)
- Wednesday | January 15, 2020 OHCD Office, 608 Pleasant Street (6pm 7:30pm; this meeting is a repeat of the Jan 14th meeting)

The FY2020 RFP (proposal application) will be made available at both meetings and will be available online beginning the evening of January 14th.

For more information, please contact Jennifer Clarke, Deputy Director Community Development at Jennifer.Clarke@newbedford-ma.gov or at 508 979-1500.

Community Forums

How should we spend federal money to improve the City?

As part of its Five-Year <u>Consolidated Planning Process</u> and its <u>Annual Action Plan</u>, the City of New Bedford's Office of Housing & Community Development (OHCD) is hosting

TWO COMMUNITY MEETINGS

to explain and discuss the federal funding that the city receives as an entitlement community under the U.S. Department of Housing & Community Development

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
HOME Investment Partnership (HOME)
Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Programs

Come and hear information about these programs and tell us your ideas about these limited federal funds and how they could be used to serve the needs of New Bedford residents, particularly those of low and moderate incomes, over the next five years.

If you intend on applying for funding you are strongly encouraged To attend and participate in one of these two forums.

Information will be provided explaining how to submit proposals that will respond to those needs in the coming year. Two times and locations are available:

January 14, 2020 Carney Academy 247 Elm Street

6pm - 7:30pm

January 15, 2020 OHCD Office

608 Pleasant Street

6pm - 7:30pm

The City of New Bedford is also hosting an RFP workshop to explain and discuss the RFP (application) and process for applying for these funds.

RFP WORKSHOP

Friday, January 17, 2020 at 9am for CDBG and 10am for ESG.