

NOTICE OF FIRST PUBLIC HEARING
PY 2026-2027 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Shelby County intends to apply to the Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) for funding available under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and the Office of Community Infrastructure (OCI). Shelby County may be eligible for funding under the Community & Economic Development and Flexible Grant Programs, which include Allocation grant; Neighborhood Revitalization Grant; Critical Infrastructure Grant; and Flexible Grant Programs.

The Public Hearing will cover eligible activities, program requirements, funding allocations, and related matters. The programs can fund a broad range of activities, including, but not limited to, economic development projects; street, water supply, drainage and sanitary sewer improvements; demolition of unsafe structures; and rehabilitation of housing and neighborhood facilities. The activities must be designed to primarily benefit low-to-moderate income persons, aid in the preservation or elimination of slums and blight, or meet an urgent need of the community.

The first of the required two public hearings for this comprehensive grant program will be convened in the Commissioners Meeting Room, 1st Floor of Shelby County Annex. The hearing shall commence at **2:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 5, 2026**, to provide citizens with pertinent information about the Community Development programs, including an explanation of eligible activities and program requirements. In addition, a Community Development Implement Strategy (CDIS) will be conducted prior to the meeting. **The second public hearing will be convened at a later date.** The grant application is due to OCI mid-June.

Citizens are encouraged to attend this public hearing to provide their input on Shelby County's CDBG program. Should any participant require auxiliary aids (interpreter, braille or taped material, assistive listening devices, or other) due to disability, please contact Angela Hamberg at 937-498-7273 at least one week prior to the hearing date to ensure needs will be accommodated.

By order of the Board of Shelby County Commissioners:

Mack A. Knupp, President
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To Be Posted through 3/5/2026