**NOTICE OF THE 2024-2025 CONSOLIDATED PLAN APPLICATION PROCESS**

The City of New Haven will initiate the funding application process for its 2024-2025 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development Programs – utilizing US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership (HOME), Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding.

To begin the process the city will be hosting a public informational meeting via Zoom on:

***Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at 10:30am***

The zoom webinar link is as follows:

[**https://newhavenct.zoom.us/j/82174147950?pwd=E\_mocZhx7mEoA-5yvxbyncapTUg2x8ig.WCgJgDpbAPgOfObI**](http://) **Passcode: 5y6V6ZyR**

**Informational Meeting Specifics**

Attendance at the informational meeting is mandatory for new applicants and strongly encouraged for previous applicants. Meeting materials and links to application materials and funding criteria will be posted on the city website at www.newhavenct.gov after the webinar.

During the informational meeting City staff will provide an overview of the process and application requirements; discuss regulatory requirements; highlight past performance; and discuss the City’s goals, objectives and funding priorities. City staff will also discuss reporting requirements, accountability, transparency and outcomes.

**Eligible Applicants**

Applicants must be certified 501(c)3 agencies working in New Haven to apply for funding, but all interested individuals are welcome to attend the informational meeting.

Agencies applying for HOPWA funds may be located outside the City of New Haven but must provide services to clients within the greater New Haven MSA.

**Applications**

Applications are available by funding source and eligible category. Applications are in a fillable Word document format. It is important that applicants utilize the correct application for their proposed project.

There are four (4) CDBG applications

Public Service

Economic Development

Housing Rehabilitation/Acquisition for Housing

Public Facility and Improvements.

There are also separate applications for Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funding and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding.

The application instructions include a list of eligible activities, City-specific objectives and funding priorities that are consistent with federal eligibility guidelines and the City’s Five-Year Consolidated Plan. The goals, objectives and priorities included in the application will guide the City’s funding allocations for program year 2024-2025.

Eligible applications will be required to demonstrate an ability to leverage additional funding from other sources, demonstrate concrete deliverables within the funding year and form meaningful partnerships with other area agencies. Funds that are awarded for public improvements and housing development **must be spent within eighteen months**.

**Bonfire Links**

Links to the applications, instructions, and supporting documentation can be found at:

[**https://newhavenct.bonfirehub.com/projects/114756/details**](http://)

**Deadline for Submission**

The deadline for submitting complete applications and supporting documentation **through the City’s Bonfire Portal** is 5:00 PM EST **Thursday, January 11, 2024**.

**Citizen Participation**

All previous Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Reports (CAPER), the 2020-2024 Five Year Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans are all available for viewing on the City's web page www.newhavenct.gov under Government \ Budgets & Financing \ Federal Reports.

The City welcomes all forms of citizen participation in the Consolidated Plan process. Any public comments should be directed to the Office of Management & Budget, 165 Church Street, 3rd Floor, New Haven, CT 06510 attn: Ron Gizzi and emailed to conplanapp@newhavenct.gov.

We look forward to your participation in our community development process.

Justin Elicker, Mayor