

DC DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (DHCD)

**VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FOR
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA'S**

FISCAL YEAR 2021 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

Polly Donaldson, Director, DC Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD or “the Department”) will conduct a virtual public hearing on Wednesday, August 5, 2020, at 6:30pm, to discuss the District’s Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 HUD Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 entitlement allocation in its use of funds received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The hearing will help form a basis for developing the draft “District of Columbia Fiscal Year 2021/HUD Fiscal Year 2020 Annual Action Plan”.

The District will receive approximately \$35,000,000 from HUD in Fiscal Year 2021 through six programs: the National Housing Trust Fund (NHTF); the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program; the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME); the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program; the Recovery Housing Program (RHP), and the Housing Opportunity for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program. DHCD administers the CDBG, NHTF, HOME funds directly as well as the pilot RHP funds; DHCD entered into an agreement with the DC Department of Human Services (DHS) for the Prevention of Homelessness to administer the ESG grant; and transferred the HOPWA grant to Department of Health (DC Health).

Residents and stakeholders are strongly encouraged to participate in the District’s virtual public hearing in the development of policies and programs in the following areas: 1) affordable housing; 2) special needs housing; 3) homelessness; 4) homeownership; and, 5) community development and public service activities. The Department is also interested in receiving community feedback on innovative strategies to enhance community participation during this planning process. Public comment period for the plan is from July 31 to August 10, 2020.

SCHEDULED VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING:

Wednesday August 5, 2020 ~ 6:30pm

Via WebEx Info

Event address for attendees: <https://dcnet.webex.com/dcnet/onstage/g.php?MTID=e2fe3b3f971a5143ebda08adc3c369bf3>

Event number: 160 194 2965

Event password: q3QQXNp4G7i

Audio conference: Call-in toll number (US/Canada)
1-650-479-3208

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Access code: 160 194 2965

District of Columbia residents who would like to present oral testimony are encouraged to register (Registration Page information) in advance either by e-mail at OPM.QUESTIONS@dc.gov. Please provide your name, address, telephone number, and organization affiliation, if any.

Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) relay service is available by calling (800) 201-7165. A sign language interpreter will be provided upon request by calling Tilla Hall at (202) 442-7239 five days prior to the hearing date.

Residents who require language interpretation should specify which language (Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese-Mandarin/Cantonese, Amharic, or French). Deadline for requesting services of an interpreter is five days prior to the hearing date. Bilingual staff will provide services on an availability basis to walk-ins without registration.

Written statements and comments for the hearing can be submitted to DHCD for the record at OPM.QUESTIONS@dc.gov, until close of business on Tuesday, August 10, 2020. Comments can also be mailed to Polly Donaldson, Director, DHCD, 1800 Martin Luther King Jr., Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20020.