

PUBLIC NOTICE
TOWN OF MANCHESTER
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

Notice of Annual Action Plan for Program Year 49
(October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024)

Each year, Manchester receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). CDBG funds can support a broad range of community projects and activities, provided they: (i) benefit low and moderate-income persons, (ii) aid in the prevention and elimination of slum or blight; or (iii) meet other urgent community development needs for which other funding is not available.

Manchester will enter its 49th CDBG program year on October 1, 2023 with an allocation of \$533,876. In addition, \$44,575.25 will be reprogrammed from completed and cancelled Program Year 43 activities to support projects in the upcoming program year. The Town has developed its 2023-2024 Action Plan including the following funded projects:

ADMINISTRATION	\$106,732
Oversight, management and coordination of the CDBG program. Eligible activity under 24 CFR 570.206	
PUBLIC SERVICES (All activities eligible under 24 CFR 570.201(e))	
<i>Journey Home: Career Pathway to Employment</i>	\$24,246
Assist un- and under-employed residents seeking employment or to further their education.	
<i>Interval House: Community Programs</i>	\$10,000
Fund staff who provide services and assistance to survivors of domestic violence in Manchester.	
<i>Youth Service Bureau: Arts Employability Program</i>	\$25,000
Provide local youth with hands-on experience and employability training in the arts.	
<i>SCRIP, Inc: CARE Development Center</i>	\$10,000
Fund supportive housing staff for formerly incarcerated individuals transitioning back into the community.	
CAPITAL AND OTHER PROJECTS	
<i>Public Works: Charter Oak St. Sidewalk Installation</i>	\$100,000
Install sidewalks on Charter Oak St. between Virginia Rd. and Autumn St. Eligible under 24 CFR 570.201(c)	
<i>Housing Rehab Program</i>	\$102,473.25
Address lead-based paint and property maintenance code deficiencies in homes. Also funds emergency replacements of non-functioning boilers, furnaces, etc. Eligible under 24 CFR 570.202(a)(1)	
<i>Rebuilding Together Roofing Program</i>	\$150,000
Funds roof replacements and, when necessary, chimney repairs at income-eligible properties. Eligible under 24 CFR 570.202(a)(1)	
<i>Water & Sewer Department: Leaded Water Line Replacements</i>	\$50,000
Fund replacement of customers' lead or galvanized water service lines to avoid increased lead exposure. Eligible under 24 CFR 570.202(b)(6)	

The Board of Directors will accept comments on the plan at a public hearing during its July 11, 2023 meeting which begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Lincoln Center Hearing Room and online. Please check <http://bod.townofmanchester.org/> for updates and for information about remote access to the meeting. For more information, contact the Planning Department at (860) 647-3044.

Copies of the Action Plan may be viewed on the Town's website at www.townofmanchester.org then search "Community Development Block Grant". Public comments will be accepted in writing until 4:30pm on July 11, 2023. Questions and comments may be sent to Heather Guerette, Planning Department, P.O. Box 191, Manchester, CT 06045-0191 or by calling (860) 647-3106 (TDD/TDY users call Relay Connecticut 1-800-842-9710 or 7-1-1) or e-mail hguerette@manchesterct.gov. Si necesita un interprete, llame al departamento de planificacion al (860) 647-3044 por lo menos tres dias de negocios antes de una audiencia publica.

The plan will be voted on by the Board of Directors at its July 11th meeting. If there are no substantive changes, this notice will serve as the Final Action Plan. The Town intends to submit the Action Plan, along with any public comments received, to HUD on or about July 27, 2023.

Steve Stephanou, Town Manager