

**City of Woonsocket, RI
Office of Mayor Susan D. Menard
Department of Planning & Development**

Notice of Funding Available (NOFA) & Public Meeting

For

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME)

EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT (ESG)

Request for Proposals

This NOFA announces the availability of approximately \$2,000,000 to individuals and community-based, not-for-profit organizations that implement programs and/or projects addressing affordable housing, economic development, public service and emergency shelter needs. Approved programs and/or projects will be funded through this NOFA and become an integral part of the City's 2008-2009 Annual Action Plan, Year 4 of a five-year housing and community development plan known as the Consolidated Plan. The Plan serves as the planning and application process for the administration of the above three federal formula grants awarded to the City by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Through a consolidated process, all three grants will begin programs on July 1, 2008. Specific information on the federal grants is given

below:

- **CDBG** – funded programs and projects carry out a wide range of community development activities directed toward neighborhood revitalization, economic development, and the provision of improved community facilities and services. Activities must benefit low and moderate-income persons, address slum and blight, or address an urgent community need.
- **HOME** – funded programs and projects provide safer and/or more affordable housing to low and moderate-income persons. Funding often covers single and rental-housing rehabilitation, as well as homeownership programs.
- **ESG** – funded programs provide housing and other services to persons who are homeless or are about to be homeless.

Funding requests must be made by completing an application package, which is available in hard copy at the Department of Planning & Development, Woonsocket City Hall, 169 Main Street, Woonsocket, RI, downloadable in PDF fillable format from the city's website, www.ci.woonsocket.ri.us, or available in Word format via an email request to pWASHINGTON@woonsocketri.org. Application DEADLINE is Thursday, January 3, 2008 at 3:00 PM. A public hearing to address the planning and application process will be held Thursday, November 1, 2007, 2 PM, 2nd floor conference room, City Hall, 169 Main Street, Woonsocket, RI. In the administration of programs and projects, the City of Woonsocket makes every effort to

ensure non-discriminatory treatment, outreach and access to program and project resources. This applies to contracting, as well as to marketing and selection of program participants. The City expects the same effort from grant subrecipients and contractors. The City will furnish auxiliary aids where necessary to afford an individual with handicaps an equal opportunity to participate in, and enjoy the benefits of, a program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.

Questions concerning this advertisement are encouraged. For more information, please contact Paulette Miller, Deputy Director of Housing & Community Development, Department of Planning & Development 401-767-9232, e-mail: pmiller@woonsocketri.org.

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