NOTICE ALLEGHENY COUNTY SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR ESG FUNDS

Notice is hereby given that Allegheny County is proposing a substantial amendment to its 2023 Annual Action Plan.

Pursuant to the Citizen Participation Plan, and in accordance with federal regulations (24 CFR 91.105), when a substantial change occurs to the Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan, citizens must be provided with reasonable notice and an opportunity to comment on any substantial amendments. This proposed change is defined as a substantial amendment because it results in a 25 percent (25%) change in the project funded amount for a project funded at \$26,000 and above.

This substantial amendment is being executed to adjust the allocation of 2023 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds across the four planned activities areas to the following funding levels:

- Street Outreach, through Mercy Life Center Corporation: \$110,000
- Shelter Operations, through Community Human Services: \$250,000
- Rapid Rehousing, through Community Human Services: \$674,237
- Data Collection and Homeless Management Information System, through Allegheny County Department of Human Services: \$140,000

This amendment will allow for the expansion of resources to address homelessness, including for street outreach, shelter operations, and permanent housing programs. The amendment is the result of allocating other County resources to maintain operations at family shelters, allowing for the above cited ESG resources to be dedicated to street outreach, shelter operations for individuals, Rapid Rehousing and data collection activities.

A copy of the 2023 Annual Plan can be accessed at https://www.alleghenycounty.us/economic-development/index.aspx. A copy of the Substantial Amendment will be on public display at https://www.alleghenycounty.us/Human-Services/News-Events/Meetings-Hearings/Community.aspx from October 29, 2023 until November 28, 2023.

Interested persons are encouraged to express their views, in writing, on the amended 2023 Annual Action Plan. Comments may be submitted to Allegheny County Department of Human Services via email at dhs-ideas@alleghenycounty.us or via mail to Hilary Scherer, 1 Smithfield Street, Floor 4, Pittsburgh, PA 15222.

The County will also hold a public hearing on Friday, November 17, 2023, at 11:00am to accept additional public comment. The hearing will use a hybrid meeting format, to allow people to join online through Teams, call-in by phone, or attend in-person at the Human Services Building, located at 1 Smithfield Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15212. Teams access and call-in information is below and can also be found at https://www.alleghenycounty.us/Human-Services/News-Events/Meetings-Hearings/Community.aspx

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

https://bit.ly/48ZxExs

Meeting ID: 278 683 841 387

Passcode: 7eCoKf

Or call in (audio only)

267-368-7515

Phone Conference ID: 384 251 742#

Comments received by November 28, 2023 will be considered and appended to the amendment.