

**City of Benton Harbor's
Department of Community Development
2012 ANNUAL PLAN**

-Public Notice-

Notice is hereby given that the City of Benton Harbor's Department of Community Development will conduct a Public Hearing on Wednesday, February 22, 2012 at 6:00p.m. at the 200 Paw Paw Ave. Bldg., Benton Harbor, Michigan in room 116.

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to allow the Community Development Department to hear from the citizens of Benton Harbor, Block Clubs and Non-Profit Agencies what eligible Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) activities they would like funded for the 2011 - 2012 Program Year. A CDBG citizen's comment sheet listing eligible and ineligible activities will be provided at the following locations, Monday through Friday, between 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

**City of Benton Harbor City Clerk's Office
175 Territorial Road
Benton Harbor, MI 49022**

**Benton Harbor Public Library
213 E. Wall Street
Benton Harbor, MI 49022**

**Department of Community Development
200 E. Wall Street
Benton Harbor, MI 49022**

There will be a fifteen (15) day review and comment period for the Annual Consolidated Plan, as well as a thirty (30) day review and comment period to discuss the comprehensive strategic plan, and to obtain citizens views on the City of Benton Harbor's community needs assessments, as it pertains to affordable housing and other needs of the community. There will also be a second Public Hearing scheduled for Wednesday, March 28, 2012 at 5:30p.m. to discuss and comment on the city's Annual Plan.

Upon completion of the review and comment periods, all comments will be reviewed and reflected in the submission of the Annual Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Pursuant to provisions of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, the McKinney Act of 1987 and the National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA) of 1990, the City of Benton Harbor is publishing its annual consolidated plan relative to the City of Benton Harbor

Community Development Block Grant Entitlement Program Year.

The Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, entitles the City of Benton Harbor to plan and carryout a community development program addressing the following primary objectives:

(1) Provide decent housing; (2) provide a suitable living environment for the residents of the City of Benton Harbor principally for persons of low and moderate income; and (3) develop and maintain a viable urban community.

Written comments regarding the City of Benton Harbor's Annual Consolidated Plan must be in writing and will be accepted by the Department of Community Development Monday thru Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Your written comments must be submitted by Monday, March 19, 2012.

Please address all comments to the Department of Community Development, 200 E. Wall Street, Benton Harbor, Michigan 49022.

Regina Sistrunk, Director of Community/Economic Development
Joseph L. Harris, Emergency Manager
Kimberly Thompson, City Clerk