

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC NEEDS HEARING
AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO
FY 2026 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM
EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT PROGRAM**

Notice is hereby given that the City of Youngstown, Ohio (City) is currently preparing its FY 2026 Annual Action Plan. The City will receive FY 2026 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and will conduct a public hearing on the use of these funds for FY 2026 (July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027). In accordance with the Final Rule for consolidation of the CDBG, HOME, and ESG Programs, 24 CFR Part 91, et. al., the City will prepare an Annual Action Plan, which will be submitted to HUD on or before June 12, 2026.

The City is soliciting applications from qualified organizations interested in providing programs and projects that address one or more of the needs targeted in the City's CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs. Proposals will be accepted for eligible activities and projects. The application will be available for download at <https://youngstownohio.gov/cped-community> beginning February 25, 2026, until March 31, 2026.

All applications must be mailed or personally delivered to the City of Youngstown Department of Community Planning and Economic Development, 26 S. Phelps St., Youngstown, Ohio 44503 and received by the City no later than March 31, 2026.

In accordance with the City's Citizen Participation Plan, the City will hold a virtual pre-application meeting/community development and housing needs hearing on February 25, 2026, at 5:00 pm. The GoTo Meeting link for this meeting is:

<https://meet.goto.com/292714693>

You can also dial in using your phone.

Access Code: 292-714-693

United States: +1 (646) 749-3122

City of Youngstown will make reasonable accommodations and services necessary for sensory-impaired and disabled citizens at the public meeting. Additionally, translation services may be offered upon request and availability. *La información será proporcionada en español por petición.* Persons requiring such accommodations/services should contact the Community Development Division at least three (3) working days in advance of the meeting at dbyrd@youngstownohio.gov or (330) 742-8876. TTY 7-1-1 (Ohio Relay Center).

The purpose of the public hearings is to:

1. Obtain the views and comments of individuals and organizations concerning the City's housing and community development needs. The information gathered will be used in the preparation of the Annual Action Plan submission for the FY 2026 Program Year.
2. Review the City's CDBG, HOME, and ESG Programs and provide an opportunity for the public to comment on program performance.
3. Summarize the Annual Action Plan process and obtain the views of citizens, public agencies, and others interested in the housing and community development needs of the City.

A copy of the proposed FY 2026 Annual Action Plan will be placed on public display for a thirty (30) day review period beginning on or before May 1, 2026. A second public hearing will be conducted to present the proposed plan

to the public. Proper notice of the display date and subsequent public hearing will be duly advertised. The City will consider comments on the proposed plan prior to adoption by the Youngstown City Council on or before June 3, 2026. The City intends to submit its FY 2026 Annual Action Plan to HUD on or before June 12, 2026.

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PUBLICATION DATE: On or before February 10, 2026. Proof of publication requested.