CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (Deadline June 1, 2022)

2022-2023

The City of East Providence is currently soliciting proposals for the use of an anticipated allocation of over **\$700,000** of 2022-2023 Community Development Block Grant funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. These funds will be available for eligible activities during the fiscal year **July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023**. Funding categories include economic development, public facilities, affordable housing, and public services.

Identified priority needs are: Development and stabilization of affordable housing, furthering fair housing, services for those with disabilities, senior, Veterans, and youth, digital access & literacy, and employment opportunities.

All are encouraged to participate in determining how these funds are spent over the next year. Applications and technical assistance are available by calling David Bachrach at 401-435-7536, mailing a request to: Community Development Office, 145 Taunton Avenue, East Providence, RI 02914, or e-mailing <u>dbachrach@eastprovidenceri.gov</u>. The application can also be found on the Community Development web page <u>https://eastprovidenceri.gov/departments/community-development</u>. An application workshop will be held on May 18th at 5:00 pm in Room 308 on the third floor of city hall.

All proposals must be received no later than the **Application Deadline of June 1, 2022 by 4:00 p.m.** They should be on the 2022-2023 Application for Funding Form (below) as a Word document and emailed as an attachment to <u>dbachrach@eastprovidenceri.gov</u>, or delivered or sent to City Hall at the above address. The submitted proposals will be **scored according to the Evaluation Criteria in this RFP**.

A public hearing to announce the availability of these funds and to solicit public input will be held at 6 PM on May 18 in the City Hall Council Chambers. All are welcomed to attend but there is no requirement to do so. A second public hearing is scheduled for June 13th in City Council Chambers at City Hall to announce the funding decisions. All are welcomed to this hearing but there is no requirement to do so. Those that submitted the proposal will be directly notified of the award decisions.

A 30 day comment period regarding the awards will start on June 14th and end on July 14th 2022 at 4:00 p.m. Written comments regarding the recommended funding plan should be directed to David Bachrach, Community Development Office using the contact information above. All comments must be received by the last day of the comment period to be reviewed and considered. A copy of all comments will be included in the 1 year funding plan to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.