

**TOWN OF GREECE
DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (CDBG)
PROPOSED USE OF SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS**

As a result of the coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has been authorized to provide supplemental funding to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, through the implementation of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES Act). The CARES Act allows for these funds to be utilized to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the impacts of the crisis.

The Town of Greece will receive an anticipated \$ 250,480 in Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus funds (CDBG - CV) from HUD for use in the Town's 2019 program year, which began August 1, 2019.

As a result, on Thursday, July 18, 2020 at 6:15 p.m., the Town of Greece is proposing to amend its previously approved 2019 CDBG Annual Action Plan to allow for the acceptance and use of the supplemental CDBG-CV funds from HUD. The hearing will take place in the Eastman Room at the Greece Town Hall, One Vince Tofany Boulevard, Greece, New York.

The opportunity for residents to provide their written comments and thereby participate in Greece's CDBG Program, is pursuant to Section 104 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1997, as amended, and the 1983 Housing and Urban/Rural Recovery Act (Public Law 98-181).

The proposed amendment is as follows:

1. 2020 Small Business Assistance Program – Re-allocate \$100,000 from the previously proposed revolving loan fund activity to replenish the 2020 Small Business Assistance Program, based on the number of applications submitted for assistance and feedback. The 2020 Small Business Assistance Program provides grants of up to \$5,000 to Greece's small businesses. Grants will offer assistance to businesses' working capital expenses which will help continue business operations and retain employees. The town will use alternate funding sources for a revolving loan fund going forward, and that activity will be cancelled under the CDBG program.

Written comments should be directed to: Community Development Block Grant Program; Town of Greece; One Vince Tofany Boulevard; Greece, New York 14612. Telephone inquiries should be directed to John T. Caterino, CDBG Administrator/Planner, at 585-723-2432, email address: jcaterino@greecenyc.gov