

**PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF MOBILE
COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (CPD) DEPARTMENT
2012 CDBG / HOME / ESG FUNDING APPLICATION CYCLE**

The City of Mobile's Community Planning and Development Department is preparing for its FY2012 application cycle and the first Public Hearing for its 2012 Housing and Community Development one-year Action Plan in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD's) formula programs: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Act (HOME), and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG).

The purpose of these programs is to coordinate effective neighborhood and community development strategies. Specific goals seek to benefit low and moderate-income persons, prevent or eliminate blight, provide decent affordable housing, or meeting an urgent community development need. Potential projects include, but are not limited to the following: neighborhood revitalization, providing a public service, increasing the availability of affordable housing, homebuyer counseling, economic development initiatives, youth educational and recreational opportunities, and increasing access to quality public and private facilities. These programs must primarily benefit low and moderate-income persons and communities.

An initial Public Hearing for the 2012 Housing and Community Development one-year Action Plan regarding the City's objectives and priorities for spending approximately \$4.03 million of FY2012 funds will be held on Wednesday, October 26th, 2011 from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm in the Multipurpose Room at Government Plaza. The Multipurpose Room is located on the ground floor of Government Plaza, which is located at 205 Government Street, Mobile, AL 36602. Applications for the 2012 funding cycle will be distributed at the end of the Public Hearing. The application will also be available on the City of Mobile's website (www.cityofmobile.org). All interested citizens are encouraged to attend the hearing.

Additionally, an Application Workshop will be held on Monday, October 31st, 2011 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm in the Multipurpose Room at Government Plaza. At this workshop, the application will be discussed in detail, and potential applicants will have the opportunity to ask specific questions about a proposed activity, the scoring and ranking process, and funding priorities.

If you have any questions or require special accommodations, please contact Karen Hansberry at (251) 208-6290 or at karen.hansberry@cityofmobile.org.