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| **FAQ SHEET**  **New Castle County invites your participation in the development of its 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and the 2020 Annual Action Plan.** |  |
| ***What is the Consolidated Plan?*** | |
| It is a planning document that identifies the affordable housing and community development needs in New Castle County over the next five years. | |
| ***Why is the county preparing this plan?*** | |
| Annually the county receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD). To continue receiving these funds, the county is required to identify and prioritize its needs, then explain how it will address these needs through local projects. | |
| ***What type of projects has the county used these funds for in the past?*** | |
| In Program Year 2018, the county invested funds to assist 57 homeowners with housing rehabilitation, 61 homebuyers with down payment assistance, 29 renter households with rehabilitation of their units, 99 people representing 29 households with Rapid Re-Housing assistance,  289 persons with homelessness prevention assistance, 34,799 persons through public service activities, and 1,955 persons with public infrastructure improvements. | |
| ***Who benefits from these projects?*** | |
| Individuals and households can qualify by their income. For example, the total income for a household of four persons must be below $72,100 for the household to qualify for one of the projects or programs offered. | |
| ***How can I participate in this process?*** | |
| There are several ways you can provide input. These are listed on the back of this sheet. | |
| ***Who can I contact for more information?*** | |
| Nicole Waters, Program Manager  Community Development Block Grant & Emergency Solutions Grant  New Castle County  (302) 395-5644  [Nicole.Waters@newcastlede.gov](mailto:Nicole.Waters@newcastlede.gov) | |

**ONLINE SURVEY**

Take our survey at [**https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NewCastle-Wilmington**](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NewCastle-Wilmington)

The Spanish survey can be accessed at [**https://es.surveymonkey.com/r/NewCastle-Wilmington-Sp**](https://es.surveymonkey.com/r/NewCastle-Wilmington-Sp)

**PUBLIC MEETINGS**

Attend one of the following public meetings:

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| Tuesday, January 7, 2020  6:00-7:30 PM  Bear Library  101 Governors Place  Bear, DE 19701 | Wednesday, January 8, 2020  6:00-7:00 PM  Woodlawn Library  2020 West 9th Street  Wilmington, DE 19805 |  |

In addition, New Castle County has scheduled its Annual Public Grants Meeting for:

Thursday, January 16, 2020

2:00 PM

Gilliam Multipurpose Room

67 Reads Way

New Castle, DE 19720

The City of Wilmington has scheduled its Annual Public Grants Meeting for:

Thursday, January 30, 2020

11:00 AM

3rd Floor Conference Room

800 N. French Street

Wilmington, DE 19801