

# 2020 CALL FOR PROPOSALS

## Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)



The Ithaca Urban Renewal Agency (IURA) seeks proposals for projects to be included in the City of Ithaca's draft 2020 Annual Action Plan. Approximately \$668,000 in CDBG and \$297,000 in HOME funds are expected to be available from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for affordable housing, public facilities/infrastructure, economic development, and public services projects. Projects must principally benefit low- and moderate-income (LMI) people, or remove slum/blighting conditions in the City. Community groups, businesses, non-profit organizations, and individuals are invited to submit proposals for projects to be funded through these programs.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: NOON, Thursday, February 28, 2020**

### ELIGIBLE CDBG & HOME PROJECTS

HUD regulations control the use of both CDBG and HOME funds. There is a two-tier test to determine project eligibility:

**NATIONAL OBJECTIVES TEST:** All projects must either eliminate slum/blight conditions or principally benefit LMI persons in one of the following ways: (A) **DIRECT BENEFIT** — at least 51% of the households benefiting from the project are LMI. For housing projects, 100% of assisted households must be LMI; or (B) **AREA BENEFIT** — project benefits all residents of a particular neighborhood where 51% or more of the residents are LMI persons. LMI households are defined as follows:

Household Size	Maximum Income 80% of Area Median Income
1 person	\$47,000
2 persons	\$53,700
3 persons	\$60,400
4 persons	\$67,100
5 persons	\$72,500
6 persons	\$77,850

*Note: These limits are expected to be updated by HUD in June 2020.*

Eligible types of projects include: AFFORDABLE HOUSING; ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; PUBLIC SERVICES; & PUBLIC FACILITIES. More information on Project Eligibility, other details about the application process, and application materials can be found via:

- **Online:** [www.IthacaURA.org](http://www.IthacaURA.org)
- **Pick-Up:** IURA, City Hall, 108 E. Green St., 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Ithaca, NY 14850
- **Call/E-Mail:** (607) 274-6565 | [cpyott@cityofithaca.org](mailto:cpyott@cityofithaca.org)

For MORE INFORMATION, please contact:

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Note: Offices *closed* Monday, January 20, 2020 for Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday and Monday, February 17, 2020 for Presidents Day Holiday.

Free TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE is available to anyone preparing an application. Please contact Anisa Mendizabal.



### PUBLIC INFORMATION & INPUT MEETINGS

More information will be provided on the application process at meetings below, which will also describe regulatory requirements, process, best practices, proposed schedule, and solicit public input for the City of Ithaca 2020 Action Plan.

#### **Public Information & Input Meeting #1**

Tuesday, January 14, 2020, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

BorgWarner Community Room, Tompkins County Public Library, 109 E. Green St., Ithaca, NY 14850

#### **Public Information & Input Meeting #2**

Wednesday, January 22, 2019, 12:00-1:30 p.m.

Common Council Chambers (Third Floor), 108 E. Green St. (City Hall), Ithaca, NY 14850



Meeting locations are fully accessible. Persons needing special accommodation to participate should contact the IURA at 274-6553, at least 72 hrs. prior to the meeting, if at all possible.