



## OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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September 29, 2016

Mr. Vincent Hom, Director  
U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development  
New York Regional Office II  
Jacob K. Javits Federal Building  
26 Federal Plaza  
New York, New York 10278  
**Attention: Allison Richards, CPD Representative**  
**Amy Apple, CPD Representative**

**Sent Via Email**

**RE: CDBG-DR: SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT #2012-02**

Dear Mr. Hom:

Please be advised that Orange County posted the above referenced substantial amendment to the County website for a comment period of seven (7) days, see enclosed documentation. The seven (7) day comment period concluded at close of business on Wednesday, September 28, 2016—no comments were received.

Currently the CDBG-DR Action Plan in DRGR is pending HUD review on a previous minor budget change. Once the plan is approved, Substantial Amendment #2012-02 will be entered into the plan via DRGR and re-submitted to the HUD Field Office for review and approval.

Thank you for the continued support of this program and we look forward to implementing all pending projects in 2016-2017..

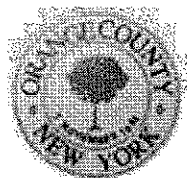
If you require any additional information, please contact me at (845) 615-3818.

Sincerely,

Joanne Fazzino, Assistant Director  
Community Development

Enclosures

c.c. Richard Mayfield, Director, Community Development



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### ABOUT US

The Office of Community Development administers the CDBG, HOME, Lead Hazard Control and several other federally funded programs. Our mission is to obtain and utilize Federal, State, and local funds to carry out physical improvements to infrastructure and public facilities, rehabilitate existing housing and facilitate the new construction of affordable housing particularly for low and moderate-income people throughout Orange County.

### IMPORTANT LINKS

- Lead Hazard Reduction Program
- FY-2017 CDBG Municipal Application Package
- Community Development Block Grant Programs (CDBG)
- HOME Programs
- Affordable Rental Housing Production Program
- Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP)
- Community Development Block Grant - Recovery Program (CDBG-R)
- CDBG-DR Substantial Amendment 2012-2
- **DISASTER RECOVERY** -Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR)
- Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice

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**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT  
DISASTER RECOVERY (CDBG-DR) PROGRAM  
SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT 2012-02  
ORANGE COUNTY CDBG-DR 2012 ACTION PLAN  
PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ANNOUNCEMENT  
SEPTEMBER 22, 2016**

Orange County is the recipient of a CDBG Disaster Recovery Grant (CDBG-DR) in accordance with Title IV of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. These funds are being made available to assist disaster recovery efforts in response to Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee. The County has been allocated \$11,422,029. These funds are allocated to the County as a direct recipient due to the fact that the Orange County CDBG Urban Consortium area has more than \$10 million in unmet severe needs. In order to receive the aforementioned funds, the County prepared and submitted an Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on July 20, 2012. The Action Plan was approved by HUD on August 10, 2012.

At this time, Orange County is submitting substantial amendment 2012-02 to the approved Action Plan to Address the following program changes:

\*Amend the current grant completion date from September 30, 2016 to September 30, 2017.

The 7-day comment period will begin on Thursday, September 22, 2016 and extend through close of business on Wednesday, September 28, 2016. Beginning on Wednesday, September 21, 2016 Substantial Amendment 2012-02 to the Orange County CDBG-DR Action Plan may be viewed on and downloaded from the Orange County website at [www.orangecountygov.com](http://www.orangecountygov.com). In addition, copies can be requested by e-mail [CommDev@orangecountygov.com](mailto:CommDev@orangecountygov.com) or by calling the Office of Community Development at 845-615-3820.

Comments should be written and mailed to:

The Office of Community Development  
Attention: Joanne Fazzino, Assistant Director  
18 Seward Avenue  
Middletown, New York 10940

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All comments must be received by closed of business on Wednesday, September 28, 2016.

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**CDBG-DR Budget —No changes to the budget are proposed for Amendment 2012-02:**

**The Action Plan submitted to HUD on July 20, 2012 contained the following proposed projects and allocations:**

CDBG-DR1201-General Administration:	\$ 571,101
CDBG-DR1202-Planning:	\$ 75,000
CDBG-DR1203-Contingencies:	\$ 775,928
CDBG-DR1204-Housing:	\$ 4,500,000
CDBG-DR1205-Public Facilities/Infrastructure:	\$ 5,000,000
CDBG-DR1206-Economic Development:	<u>\$ 500,000</u>
TOTAL CDBG-DR ALLOCATION:	\$ 11,422,029

**Amendment 2012-01 contains the following allocation revisions and additional projects:**

CDBG-DR1201-General Administration:	\$ 571,101
CDBG-DR1202-Planning:	\$ 187,500
CDBG-DR1203-Contingencies:	\$ 0
CDBG-DR1204-Housing:	\$ 1,234,308
CDBG-DR1205-Public Facilities/Infrastructure:	\$ 8,667,624
CDBG-DR1206-Economic Development:	\$ 0
CDBG-DR1207-Public Services/Equipment:	\$ 230,000
CDBG-DR1208-Code Enforcement:	\$ 50,000
CDBG-DR1209-Acquisition/Infrastructure:	<u>\$ 481,496</u>
TOTAL CDBG-DR ALLOCATION:	\$ 11,422,029

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**1. Amend the current grant completion date from September 30, 2016 TO September 30, 2017.**

The current approved Action Plan estimated a 36 month timeline, with the completion date of March 31, 2015. Orange County received approval from HUD for Substantial Amendment 2012-01 which extended the completion date to September 30, 2016. However, Substantial Amendment 2012-02 requests HUD approve an additional 12 month extension, from October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017, in order to complete projects in the pipeline. These projects will take approximately 12 months to complete. One project that is ready for construction is the Village of Monroe Millpond Dam Improvements. Grant agreements have been executed; a contract signing and pre-construction meeting is scheduled for September 27, 2016. Construction is expected to begin shortly after 9/27/16. The grant agreement for this project will be in effect until May 31, 2017.

Additionally, HUD has identified that the Municipal CDBG-DR Grant Agreement boilerplate contract will require modifications to the "subrogation" clause. In order to make the required changes, Office of Community Development will have to forward the language to the County's Law Department. Historically, the review period for this type of contract amendment can take upward of 30 to 60 days.

OCD is currently working on two (2) additional projects in the City of Middletown and the Village of Walden. For the City of Middletown's Mohegan Drainage project, the environmental review process will be conducted in conjunction with the NYS Rising phase of the project. The environmental review for the Village of Walden will be underway shortly. Once the environmental review process has been completed for both projects and changes have been made to the grant agreement boilerplate, OCD will be prepared to issue two (2) grant agreements to the City of Middletown and the Village of Walden so that both of those projects can get underway in early 2017.

A factor that continues to significantly impact the single family owner occupied residential rehabilitation program is obtaining the required FEMA documents necessary to carry out the duplication of benefits calculation. We have had discussions with New York State Rising counterparts regarding this impediment and based on our past discussions, have been told that they may be of assistance to us in gathering documentation from FEMA. Unfortunately this impediment has not been rectified. To date, only one (1) residential rehabilitation project is 95% complete. We will continue to explore ways to obtain the necessary required documentation from FEMA.