



City of Hinesville News Release
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City Seeks Public Comment on HUD Funding Documents *In-Person and Digital Platforms Offered to Gather Input*

HINESVILLE, Ga. (March 22, 2021) – The City of Hinesville helps provide affordable housing options, suitable living environments and economic opportunities to its residents. To continue providing these services, the City needs your input. Residents living inside the city limits are invited to participate in a public comment period to review documents required for programs and projects funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Input received will help guide funding priorities to address critical needs throughout the community.

Residents may provide input in a variety of ways, including in-person and digital platforms. In-person avenues include attending a public hearing on **Tuesday, March 23, at 6 p.m.** in City Hall and by visiting the Community Development Department between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday on the second floor of City Hall. City Hall is located 115 E. M. L. King, Jr. Dr. Digital platforms include providing comments via the online system found at cityofhinesville.org. Comments received through Monday, April 19, will be included in the final documents submitted to HUD.

During the public comment and review period, residents will be able to weigh-in on the City's drafted 2021 Annual Action Plan.

The City is a HUD-recognized entitlement community and receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. The City's allocation for the 2021 program year, which runs July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022, totals \$263,728. Proposed funding uses include affordable housing, program administration, public service agencies and the Irene B. Thomas Park.

The City leverages several funding streams, including Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) grants, to further support affordable housing initiatives, owner-occupied rehabilitation programs and homeless prevention support. The City maximizes funding by drawing from other resources, as well, including the Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax, the City's own Revolving Loan Fund program, discounted local loans, owner contributions and funds from the City's General Fund budget.

To learn more, visit cityofhinesville.org.

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ABOUT THE CITY OF HINESVILLE:

The City of Hinesville was established in 1837 and is recognized as one of the fastest growing cities in the State of Georgia in both size and population. As the largest city in Liberty County, it serves as the county seat and is home to more than 35,000 people. To learn more about the City of Hinesville, visit cityofhinesville.org.