

**PUBLIC NOTICE
AND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Howard County Department of Housing and Community Development
6751 Columbia Gateway Drive, 3rd Floor
Columbia, MD 21046

FFY 2016 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT
(CAPER)

On August 31, 2017, the Howard County Department of Housing and Community Development will release a draft Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for two federally-funded programs – the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) and the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Program. The draft CAPER covers activities undertaken during July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The CAPER describes activities funded through these programs, their relationship to community development objectives and assesses the County's success in meeting the goals outlined in the FFY 2016 - FFY 2019 Consolidated Plan.

On Thursday, September 14, 2017, a Public Hearing will be held at 6:00 PM at the Gateway Building, 6751 Columbia Gateway Drive, Columbia, Maryland, Housing Conference Room, to obtain comments on the draft CAPER. If you plan on testifying, you should provide a copy of your testimony in writing. If you cannot attend the Public Hearing, written comments must be directed to Kelly Cimino, Director, Howard County Department of Housing and Community Development or to Elizabeth Meadows, Chief of Community Planning and Grants, at the Howard County Department of Housing and Community Development's office, 6751 Columbia Gateway Drive 3rd Floor, Columbia, MD 21046.

The draft CAPER will be available for public review and comment beginning August 31, 2017 through September 15, 2017. Copies of the draft CAPER may be obtained from the Howard County Housing office located at 6751 Columbia Gateway Drive, 3rd Floor, Columbia, Maryland 21046 between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM Monday through Friday. The draft CAPER will also be available on the Howard County website at www.howardcountymd.gov under "Departments" on the Department of Housing and Community Development's webpage. Any and all comments must be submitted in writing and mailed to:

Kelly A. Cimino, Director
Howard County Department of Housing and Community Development
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The deadline for written comments is September 15, 2017. A summary of all comments received and responses will be included in the final CAPER document that will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on or about September 28, 2017.

A sign language interpreter will be available upon request by contacting the Department of Community Resources and Services at (410) 313-6400 or (410) 313-6401 (TTY) a minimum of 3 working days prior to the Hearing. Efforts will be made to accommodate the disabled and non-English speaking citizens with three (3) days advance notice to Quanita Kareem, Compliance Officer, Howard County Department of Housing and Community Development, at 410-313-6009. This Notice and the CAPER will be made available in alternative formats upon request.