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**MONTGOMERY COUNTY
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)
PUBLIC HEARING**

May 21, 2020 | 3:00 PM

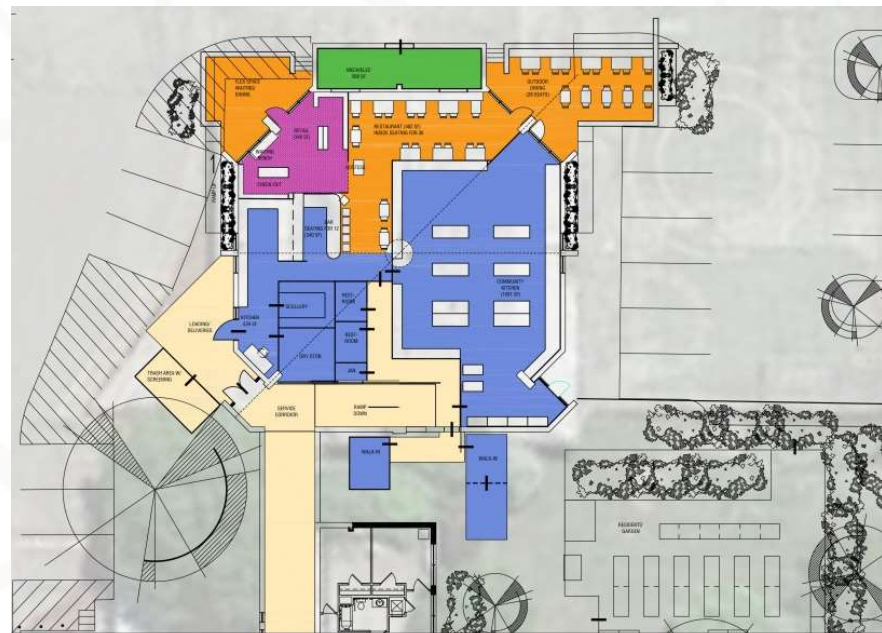
USE OF CDBG FUNDS IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

The CDBG program will support local governments and communities in their response to the health and economic impacts of COVID-19.



PREVIOUS USE OF CDBG FUNDS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

- Planning Grant –
Redevelopment of Old Prices Fork Elementary School
- Vibrant Community Initiative (VCI) Grant – Old Prices Fork Elementary School



COMMUNITY KITCHEN AND FARM TO TABLE RESTAURANT
MONTGOMERY COUNTY - OLD PRICES FORK SCHOOL RENOVATION



PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

- Requesting \$117,046.03 in CDBG funding
- Montgomery County will serve as grant recipient
- Eligible beneficiaries of the funds will be residents within the New River Health District (NRHD)
 - City of Radford
 - Floyd County
 - Giles County
 - Montgomery County
 - Pulaski County



PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

- The New River Valley Regional Commission
 - Will serve as the grant administrator
 - Will provide oversight of the funds
 - Will support Montgomery County as the grant recipient
- The acquisition of supplies and materials will be conducted by:
 - Montgomery County Office of Emergency Management
 - New River Health District



HOW CDBG FUNDS WILL BE USED

- Funds will support Live Work Eat Gather (LWEG)
 - Organization that oversees Millstone Community Kitchen (Old Prices Fork Elementary School)
 - Began a pilot program known as “Neighbors in Need.”
- Neighbors in Need is designed to accomplish the following win-win-win:
 - Provide local food access organizations with prepared meals- feed vulnerable people through already established distribution systems
 - Provide sustaining revenue streams for caterers currently operating out of Millstone Kitchen
 - Support hiring additional service workers at a time layoffs are expected in the service industry
 - Support local small farms affected by the loss of direct marketing during the COVID-19 crisis
 - Keep Millstone Kitchen operating and open to provide business support services to the local small food business economy by coordinating the Neighbors in Need program and providing opportunities that align with LWEG’s community based mission



SECOND PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED

- A second public hearing on the CDBG Grant will be held on:
Tuesday, May 26 at 7:15 pm (as part of the Board of Supervisors Meeting)
- Comments and grievances may be submitted until **5:00 PM on May 26:**
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Thank you for attending today's public hearing!

