

**FIRST PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FOR
MONROE COUNTY AND ON BEHALF OF EAST STROUDSBURG AND STROUDSBURG BOROUGH
FOR THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR (FFY) 2026 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM**

Notice is hereby given by Monroe County and On Behalf of East Stroudsburg Borough and Stroudsburg Borough, that it will hold Public Hearing(s) on East Stroudsburg Borough: Sept. 1st, 2026 @ 7 PM, 24 Analomink St, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301; Stroudsburg Borough: Sept. 1st, 2026 @ 7 PM, 700 Sarah St, Stroudsburg, PA; Monroe County: Sept. 2nd, 2026 @ 9:30 AM, One Quaker Plaza, Stroudsburg, PA. This meeting is accessible to individuals with disabilities and/or persons with Limited English Proficiency. If you wish to attend and require special accommodations, please notify the Redevelopment Authority of Monroe County office 72 hours in advance of the public hearing at 570-421-4300 or Jennifer Petersen, director@monroecountypa.org.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to discuss the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program in general, the needs of Monroe County, East Stroudsburg Borough, and Stroudsburg Borough performance under the previously funded CDBG Program years, and to discuss the required Three–Year Community Development Plans of each community and County as a whole.

The 2026 CDBG funds from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania provided an allocation of approximately \$391,735 for Monroe County and On Behalf of East Stroudsburg Borough \$155,079 and Stroudsburg Borough \$114,413. At least 70% of the available funding must be used for activities which benefit low- and moderate-income persons. The proposed activities must benefit at least 51% of low- to moderate-income persons in the service area to qualify as a low- to moderate-income project. The PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) has announced the application submission deadline of October 30, 2026.

The following types of activities may be eligible for funding under the CDBG Program: water and sewer line replacement and improvements; housing rehabilitation; construction of affordable housing; construction/reconstruction of public/community facilities; recreational facilities; public services that are new or provide quantifiable increases in the delivery of services; street improvements; historic preservation; removal of architectural barriers; code enforcement; economic development; acquisition and relocation; clearance and demolition; and general administration, planning, audit if required, and preparation of the CDBG application.

If Monroe County and On Behalf of East Stroudsburg Borough and Stroudsburg Borough would undertake activities that result in the displacement of families or individuals, then Monroe County policy for minimizing such displacement would be in effect. Monroe County is

responsible for replacing all low- and moderate-income housing units that may be demolished or converted as a result of the use of CDBG funds. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be offered the opportunity to give oral testimony at the Public Hearing and/or to present written comments concerning the needs of Monroe County and On Behalf of East Stroudsburg Borough and Stroudsburg Borough, proposed CDBG Program activities, the prior use of CDBG funds, as well as the CDBG Program in general by Proposals and comments may be submitted to the Redevelopment Authority of Monroe County, Jennifer Petersen at director@monroecountyda.org by September 4th, 2026.

