

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION NOTICE

2005-2009 Housing and Community Development Consolidated Plan

Substantial Amendment PY2008 Annual Action Plan for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program for Cook County, Illinois

The County of Cook, Bureau of Community Development, is accepting citizen comments on its proposed Substantial Amendment to the 2008 Annual Action Plan for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (“NSP”) of the approved 2005-2009 Community Development Consolidated Plan.

Under the initial NSP Amendment to the PY2008 Annual Action Plan Cook County had submitted an application for the use of the NSP funds. That original Amendment was approved by HUD, but Cook County Bureau of Community Development has since made changes effecting the funding and categorization of projects and is hereby providing notice to the public of proposed changes.

Cook County was awarded \$28,156,321.00 of NSP funding. The purpose of the NSP Program is to assist communities that have been or are likely to be affected by foreclosed and abandoned properties, while providing affordable rental and homeownership opportunities to households at or below 120% of Area Median Income (AMI) in areas of greatest need. Specific programs or activities for NSP funds have been included within this Substantial Amendment document.

An important part of the process of developing the original Consolidated Plan, the annual Action Plan, and this Amendment is to allow citizen participation and input. All interested parties are invited and encouraged to provide comments.

Written comments on the proposed Substantial Amendment to the 2008 Action Plan are being solicited through June 25, 2010. Comments or questions should be directed to the Bureau of Community Development, County of Cook, staff by calling 312-603-1000 or by writing to: NSP/2008 Action Plan Substantial Amendment, Cook County Bureau Community Development, 69 West Washington Street, Suite 2900, Chicago, Illinois 60602. Written comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on June 25, 2010 in order to receive consideration. Questions and requests for information should be directed to Cook County staff at the phone number referenced above.

Copies of the 2008 NSP Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment will be available for public review and comment, as of June 25, 2010 at, 69 West Washington, Cook County Administration Building Suite 2900, Bureau of Community Development (312) 603-1000.

The 2008 NSP Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendments can also be accessed online at:<http://www.cookcountygov.com>.

To be completed at the end of the public comment period.