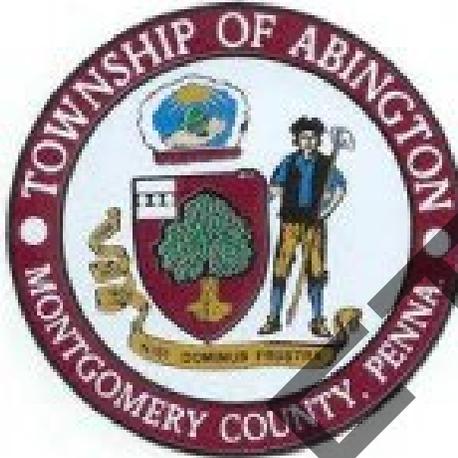


ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, PENNSYLVANIA



SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO:
FY 2022 CDBG PROGRAM

SUBMITTED BY:

Office of Community Development
Township of Abington
1176 Old York Road
Abington, PA 19001

SUBMITTED TO:

U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development
The Wanamaker Building
100 Penn Square East
Philadelphia, PA 19107



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A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY –

It is necessary for the Township of Abington to process a “Substantial Amendment” to the Township’s FY 2022 Annual Action Plan for the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. In accordance with the CDBG Program’s Regulations, the Township is allowed to make substantial amendments to its Annual Plans and Budgets in accordance with the Township’s Citizen Participation Plan.

The Township has determined that it is necessary to amend previously approved CDBG program years’ budgets as some of these activities are completed with a remaining balance, cancelled, changed budget amounts, or create new projects.

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B. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION –

The Township of Abington held a Public Hearing on October 18, 2023. Attached is a copy of the advertisement that appeared in the local newspaper, as well as the meeting sign-in sheet and meeting notes.

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NOTICE OF DISPLAY OF PLANS AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR AMENDMENT TO FY 2022 CDBG FUNDS FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON, PA

Notice is hereby given that the Township of Abington, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania has prepared an amendment to its FY 2022 Annual Action Plan. In accordance with the regulations and requirements of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the plan will be on public display for a period of 30 days, beginning October 2, 2023 until October 31, 2023 at the following locations:

**PHYSICAL COPY: The Township of Abington
Department of Community Development
1176 Old York Road, Abington, PA 19001**

ELECTRONIC COPY: <https://www.abingtonpa.gov/cd>

The plan is available for public inspection during normal business hours of operation. An electronic copy may be obtained by emailing khamm@abingtonpa.gov. Written or oral comments will be accepted until October 31, 2023. Comments may be directed to Ms. Kimberly Hamm, Director of Community Development, 1176 Old York Road, Abington, PA 19001, or emailed to khamm@Abingtonpa.gov, or phone at (267) 536-1019.

A public hearing will be held on October 18, 2023 at 10:00 AM at the Township Building, 1176 Old York Road, First Floor Conference Room, Abington, PA 19001 and by virtual conference call. There are two ways for the public to virtually participate in the meeting. Residents can access the meeting online, by a computer, iPad, iPhone or Android at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89629712759>. This link will enable residents to hear the meeting and see presentations. There will be no video capabilities. Residents, who are unable to join online, can listen to the meeting by calling 1-929-436-2866 and entering the meeting ID number 896-2971-2759 when prompted.

Any person requiring an interpreter for the hearing impaired or the visually impaired should contact Ms. Hamm at least five-(5) calendar days prior to the meeting and an interpreter will be provided. In addition, hearing-impaired persons may call Pennsylvania Relay at 711. Any non-English speaking person wishing to participate the public hearing should contact Ms. Hamm at least five (5) calendar days prior to the meeting and a language interpreter will be provided. Cualquier persona que no habla Inglés que desean



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asistir a la audiencia pública deben comunicarse con la Sra Hamm cinco (5) días calendario antes de la reunión y un intérprete de lenguaje se proporcionará.

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The plan will be submitted to the Township's Board of Commissioners on November 9, 2023 at 7:00 PM, at which time these documents will be presented for approval at the regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners' Meeting.

If the Township would undertake an activity that would result in the displacement of families or individuals, then the Township would utilize its policy for minimizing such displacement. Furthermore, the Township is responsible for replacing all low- and moderate-income housing units that may be demolished or converted as a result of CDBG or HOME Funds.

All interested persons, groups, and organizations are encouraged to attend this public hearing and will be given the opportunity to present oral or written testimony concerning the proposed plans and use of Federal funds.

Honorable Thomas Hecker, President

Township of Abington Board of Commissioners

Publish one time on Sunday, October 1, 2023

Send proof of publication



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C. RESOLUTION –

The Township of Abington's Board of Commissioners approved the Substantial Amendment on November 9, 2023.

Attached is a copy of the resolution that was approved by the Township's Board of Commissioners and authorized the filing of the Amendment with HUD.

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TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA RESOLUTION NO. 23-_____

Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania amending the FY 2022 Annual Action Plan.

Whereas, the Township of Abington, Pennsylvania is a recipient of grant funds under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

Whereas, the Township of Abington had previously approved an Annual Action Plan for the FY 2022 CDBG Program year; and

Whereas, HUD permits grant recipients to revise and amend its previous budgets and Annual Action Plans; and

Whereas, in accordance with the Federal Regulations governing the CDBG Program certain changes and revisions to the Annual Action Plans may be considered a substantial amendment as outlined in the Township of Abington's Citizen Participation Plan; and

Whereas, it has been determined that the proposed changes and revisions to the FY 2022 Annual Action Plan are a substantial amendment and the Township's Citizen Participation Plan has been followed.

Now therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Abington, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

Section 1. The amended FY 2022 Annual Action Plan is approved as presented, and as shown in the budgets for each program year which is attached and marked "EXHIBIT A".

Section 2. The President of the Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to sign and submit the amended FY 2022 Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

ADOPTED INTO A RESOLUTION THIS 9TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2023 BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON, PENNSYLVANIA



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APPROVED:

**ABINGTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Date

Thomas Hecker, President

ATTEST:

Richard Manfredi, Township Manager

ADOPTED: _____

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EXHIBIT A

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D. FY 2022 CDBG PROGRAM

1. Budget

The following line item adjustments to the FY 2022 CDBG program budget will be:

Activity Name	Previous Budget	Adjustment	Proposed Budget
Infrastructure Improvements (Rubicon Avenue Pedestrian and Stormwater Improvements)	\$ 500,000	(\$ 200,000)	\$ 300,000
Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program	\$ 0	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000

2. Narrative

The amendment to the FY 2022 Annual Action Plan will use \$200,000 in FY 2022 unspent CDBG funds an infrastructure improvement project to fund a new project – Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program. This action is considered a substantial amendment in accordance with the Township’s Citizen Participation Plan since the following applies: (b.) a proposal to undertake a new activity, using funds from any program covered by the Five Year Consolidated Plan (including program income received from previous year’s funds), and activities not previously described in the annual action plan.

3. IDIS Project Sheet

CD-22-AM	Project Name	Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program
	Target Area	Areawide
	Goals Supported	HS-3 Housing Rehabilitation
	Needs Addressed	Housing Need
	Funding	CDBG: \$200,000



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Description	Housing Rehabilitation assistance for LMI households.
Target Date	9/30/2024
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	4 LMI households
Location Description	Township of Abington
Planned Activities	Matrix Code: 14A Rehabilitation: Single-Unit Residential 24 CFR 570.202(a)(1) National Objective: LMH Low/mod housing benefit: activities carried out for the purpose of providing or improving permanent residential structures which, upon completion, will be occupied by low- and moderate-income households. 570.208(a)(3)

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