

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
ON THE PROPOSED USE OF
DISASTER RECOVERY FUNDS
(CDBG-DR4451)

St. Charles County, Missouri encourages you to attend and participate at the following public hearing on a draft grant application for the use of Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Funds, including a Local Voluntary Buyout Project (LVBOP) Plan:

Tuesday, May 31, 2022

7:00 pm

St. Charles County Executive Building/Council Chambers

100 N Third Street, St Charles, MO 63301

St. Charles County Government intends to apply to the Missouri Department of Economic Development for **\$15,780,460** in **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery (DR)** funds to assist with the long-term recovery from flooding that inundated approximately 90,000 acres across the County from April 29 to July 5, 2019 (Federal Disaster 4451-DR-MO). The County proposes to use funds for the voluntary purchase and demolition of flood-damaged homes primarily in the unincorporated County, City of West Alton, City of St. Charles, and Portage Des Sioux. The goal is to reduce the impacts of future flooding by the voluntary removal of flood-prone homes located within designated flood zones. Funding for Community Rehousing Incentive for Buyouts (CRIB) is also proposed to bridge, when necessary, the gap between the cost of comparable replacement housing and a buyout award. Homeowners would need to apply and meet eligibility requirements. In accordance with CDBG's National Objectives, at least 70% of the funds must be used for low-to-moderate-income (LMI) households, and potential applicants will be prioritized by their LMI status. The County's programs are designed to minimize the displacement of persons from housing, and assistance would be provided to any displaced persons according to the Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970 as amended, Section 104(d), Section 104(k) or Section 105(a)(11) of the Title I Act. Activities eligible for funding under Missouri's Statewide DR-4451 Action Plan, but not proposed in the County's application, include down-payment assistance, infrastructure for affordable housing, construction of new housing/multi-family rental housing, rehabilitation, and housing counseling. Instead, the County's HOME funds may be used for those activities.

For questions or comments: email planning@sccmo.org or call (636) 949-7335

If you need special accommodations for the public hearing, including Limited English Proficiency assistance, please email planning@sccmo.org or call (636) 949-7335 at least 48 hours in advance to assure that accommodations may be made. The meeting will be held at an accessible location and the County will make every effort possible to provide reasonable accommodations.

St. Charles County solicits citizen input on the County's on-going community development needs and offers the public the opportunity to provide written and/or verbal comments on public matters.



Written comments may be mailed to the Department of Community Development, 201 N. Second Street-Suite 410, St. Charles, MO 63301, or sent by email to planning@sccmo.org or call (636) 949-7335. Comments concerning the County's use of CDBG-DR funds must be received by **June 7, 2022** to be taken into consideration.

Community members can learn more about funding and review application materials and a draft buyout plan at <https://www.sccmo.org/2185/Voluntary-Flood-Buyout-Program>. Printed materials are also available upon request.

