

## CHEROKEE NATION INDIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (ICDBG) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR FY2021

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STATEMENT

The Department of Housing and Urban Development has published an Implementation Notice for the Indian Community Development Block Grant for FY 2021 by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Southern Plains Office of Native American Programs (SPONAP) for eligible applicants that include Indian Tribes or tribal organizations.

Eligible activities include: housing rehabilitation, land acquisition to support new housing, home ownership assistance, public facilities and improvements, economic development and micro enterprise programs. For the SPONAP area, a maximum of \$1,000,000 has been allocated for requested projects for the region. Funding is awarded competitively so there is no guarantee that the Nation will receive funding.

Cherokee Nation is considering submitting a proposal to be administered by the Cherokee Nation Housing Authority, allowing them to renovate several community buildings/public spaces and upgrade current playgrounds in various HACN low-rent properties.

## **Required Statement**

No part of the [citizen participation] requirement shall be construed to restrict the responsibility and authority of the [Cherokee Nation] for the development of the application and the execution of the grant. Accordingly, the citizen participation requirements of [HUD regulations] do not include concurrence by any person or group in making final determinations on the contents of the application. 24 CFR 1003.604(c)

## **Publication of Community Development Statement**

Cherokee Nation is currently in COVID-19 Response status; public gatherings are not encouraged.

However, everyone will still have the opportunity to provide comments and concerns virtually about other community development and housing needs in your area. You will also have the opportunity to review and comment on Cherokee Nation's performance on any active ICDBG projects.

There will be an online virtual meeting for public comment on October 22, 2021. The meeting will be held at 1:30 PM CST and in order to access the meeting you can use the following hyperlink: <u>2021 ICDBG Meeting</u>. All interested community members are invited to attend this meeting. To participate in the meeting, simply click the link during the planned time, add a display name, and you will be in the meeting.

Additionally, all interested community members are also invited to complete an online survey at: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YYV53V6</u>

For additional information, please email grantdevelopment@cherokee.org.