



*April 6, 2016*

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
FAIRFIELD COUNTY PUBLIC HEARING  
COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPACT AND PRESERVATION PROGRAM**

Fairfield County will hold a public hearing on the State of Ohio Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program (CHIP) on Monday, April 25, 2016 at 9 a.m. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Third Floor, 210 East Main Street, Lancaster, Ohio. This is a handicapped accessible facility.

The CHIP program is designed to benefit low to moderate income households. The program is administered by the Ohio Development Services Agency utilizing federal funds. The County has conducted one public hearing to inform citizens about the program, how funds may be used, what activities are eligible and other important program requirements.

Fairfield County intends to apply for approximately \$400,000 for the two-year PY 2016 CHIP funding period. Based on input from citizens, surveys results regarding community needs, and the results of the Community Housing Improvement Strategy (CHIS), the County proposes to undertake the following CHIP activities for the FY 2016 CHIP in Fairfield County (excluding the City of Lancaster):

1. Private Owner Rehabilitation utilizing an estimated \$170,000 in HOME funds
2. Home Repair utilizing an estimated \$104,000 in CDBG or Ohio Housing Trust funds
3. Homeownership utilizing an estimated \$78,000 in HOME funds
4. General Administration and Fair Housing an estimated \$48,000 in CDBG and HOME funds
5. A minimum of \$24,000 in leverage funds from other sources

The hearing will give citizens an opportunity to review and comment on the County's proposed CHIP application, including the proposed activities summarized above, before the County's application is submitted to the Ohio Development Service Agency. Local officials, non-profit and service agencies and citizens are encouraged to attend this meeting. If you require special accommodations to participate in the public hearing please contact the program administrator, Lancaster-Fairfield Community Action Agency at (740) 653-4146 in advance.

If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to Lancaster-Fairfield Community Action Agency at 1743 E. Main St., Lancaster, OH 43130 or you may telephone (740) 653-4146 weekdays between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Fairfield County promotes fair housing in which there are no barriers to obtaining housing because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, national origin or military status.