To: Interested Parties  
From: Frederick Sneesby  
Date: 8/16/2021  
Re: Public Hearing for review of the Rhode Island 2021-2022 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) State Plan.

In accordance to Rhode Island General Laws (RIGL) 42-35, notice is hereby given that the Department of Human services proposes the following DHS State Plan:

**2021-2022 Community Services Block Grant Program (CSBG)**

The Community Services Block Grant provides funds to the State of Rhode Island and, in turn, Community Action Agencies to address reduction of poverty, revitalization of low-income communities, and empowerment of low-income families and individuals to become fully self-sufficient. Rhode Island’s Community Services Block Grant is administered by the Department of Human Services.

This proposed state plan is accessible on the DHS website http://www.dhs.ri.gov or available in hard copy upon request (401) 462-1669. A public hearing will be held to consider the proposed plan on Thursday, August 26, 2021, 10:00AM, at the RI Department of Human Services, Louis Pasteur Building (Bldg. #57), 25 Howard Ave. 1st Floor, Cranston, RI 02920 in the West Wing Conference Room. Persons wishing to testify may do so by signing up at the hearing or by submitting written testimony by Wednesday, August 25, 2021 to Frederick Sneesby, Department of Human Services, Building #57, 25 Howard Avenue, Cranston RI 02920, or email to frederick.sneesby@dhs.ri.gov.

The Hearing will begin at 10:00 AM and will conclude when the last speaker finishes testimony or at 11:00 AM, whichever comes first. The RI Department of Human Services, Louis Pasteur Building is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals with hearing impairments may request an interpreter’s presence by calling 711 or RI Relay at 1-800-745-6575 (Voice) or 1-800-745-5555 (TTY). Requests for this service must be make at least 72 hours in advance of the Hearing date.

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