



TOWNS OF WARE, HARDWICK & WARREN

Ware River Valley (WRV)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

Request For Proposals For Social and Public Service Programs

The Towns of Warren, Ware and Hardwick are seeking proposals from qualified public social service organizations that are in need of funding assistance in order to provide needed services to area residents. Proposals may be included as part of single community and/or regional grant applications through the FY 2018 Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). The Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC), on behalf of all three communities, will accept proposals for activities that are designed to benefit residents of Warren, Ware and Hardwick, or any combination thereof. Eligible activities include a wide range of social services that address priority needs that are identified in each town's Community Development Strategy and by each town's Community Action Agency. Any proposed project or activity must also primarily benefit low to moderate income residents of the town(s) in which the program serves.

The Towns may choose to fund all, any or none of the proposals submitted. Agencies or organizations identified for inclusion in any of the grant proposals will be required to submit additional information as part of the full CDBG application to be submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) by Friday, March 2, 2018. Programs funded by the MA DHCD are anticipated to begin in the fall of 2018. The Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC) is assisting these communities in the coordination and administration of their community development programs. For more information or to receive a proposal request form and copies of the Community Development Strategies, please contact PVPC Principal Planner, Chris Dunphy, at (413) 781-6045 or e-mail cdunphy@pvpc.org.

All proposals must be submitted to the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, 60 Congress Street, 1st Floor, Springfield, MA 01104-3419 by 3:00 P.M., Wednesday, January 24, 2018.