NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM/NEW HORIZONS FAIR HOUSING GRANT

The Board of Commissioners of Ashtabula County, serving as the Lead Agency, in partnership with the Cities of Ashtabula, Conneaut, and Geneva, will be applying to the Ohio Department of Development, for funding under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Year 2026 through the New Horizons Fair Housing Assistance Grant.

The first of two required public hearings will be held on **Tuesday, November 10, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.** in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Old Courthouse Building, 2nd Floor, 25 West Jefferson Street, Jefferson, Ohio 44047.

At this public hearing, Planning and Development staff will explain the funding sources, program requirements, rules and regulations, and filing information associated with the New Horizons Fair Housing Assistance Grant. The hearing will provide an opportunity for residents and interested parties to learn about the program, ask questions, and provide comments regarding the proposed Fair Housing activities.

The New Horizons Fair Housing Assistance Grant is intended to support fair housing education, outreach, and activities that promote equal housing opportunities and increase awareness of fair housing rights and responsibilities throughout Ashtabula County and its participating communities.

Citizens are invited and encouraged to attend the public hearing on November 10, 2026, to express their views and comments regarding the proposed grant activities. The Board of County Commissioners also encourages residents who are proficient in languages other than English to inform non-English-speaking citizens about the public hearing and to invite them to attend and share their views or comments.

Upon request made prior to the public hearing, the Department of Planning and Development will make every reasonable effort to provide interpreters or accommodations for individuals with special needs, including handicapped, elderly, or other County residents.

Further information is available from the Department of Planning and Development at 440-576-1530, Monday through Friday, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., or by visiting www.ashtabulacounty.us/dpd.

Board of Commissioners
County of Ashtabula, Ohio

Lisa Hawkins, Clerk of the Board

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