

Form RSBGP-1
Notice of Public Hearing

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM**

The following sample public notice is suggested for use in publicizing the first of two required public hearings. Each public hearing must be advertised separately in a manner the applicant determines to be responsible and customary in the community, and include all of this information.

A public hearing will be held on _____, 20__ (date) at _____ a.m./p.m. at _____ (location) for the purpose of identifying and prioritizing the community needs of (Name of the Local Government Unit), determining whether an application for Arkansas Community and Economic Development Program (ACEDP) funds should be developed and if so, for what community need. Also, comments on proposed project activities will be discussed, especially those with possible impacts on the community, should the project receive funding.

ACEDP funds are federal assistance received by the State of Arkansas and administered by the Arkansas Economic Development Commission. These funds will be made available to cities and counties according to need and can be used for community facilities, public infrastructure, or economic development, but must address one of the following objectives:

1. Provide benefit to low and moderate income families,
2. Aid in the prevention of slum and blight, or
3. Meet other community needs, which pose a serious, immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community where no other funding is available to meet such needs.

All residents of (Name of the Local Government Unit) are encouraged to attend the hearing and participate in the community development process. The (Name of the Local Government Unit) will provide technical assistance in developing proposals by groups representing low- and moderate-income persons.

Individuals requiring physical or sensory accommodations including interpreter service, Braille, large print, or recorded materials, please contact (contact person) at (address, phone number) no later than (date). Accommodations will be made for persons with disabilities and non-English speaking individuals provided that (number) day notice is received by the (Name of the Local Government Unit).

Either Proof of Publication or Certificate of Posting must be submitted together with a summary of citizens' comments and attendance roster

Please Note: At this hearing, specific CDBG program requirements and related project issues should be reviewed. For example, if taxes or user charges will need to be increased as part of financing the project, it is especially important that residents understand the necessity of raising funds. This discussion should specifically be reflected in meeting minutes.

