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**CITY OF READING & COUNTY OF BERKS
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

The City of Reading and the County of Berks invite citizens, public agencies and other interested parties to participate in the development of the City and County 2017 Action Plans by attending a public hearing on June 2, 2016 at 5:00 pm in the City Hall Third Floor Conference Center, 815 Washington Street, Reading PA

The purpose of the hearing is to obtain the views and comments of individuals and organizations regarding the overall housing and community development needs of the City and County, development of proposed activities of the City and County, and a review of the past program performance. The information will be used in preparation of the 2017 Action Plans.

For Federal Fiscal Year 2017, the City expects to receive approximately \$2,400,000 from the CDBG Program, \$750,000 from the HOME Program, \$220,000 from the ESG Program. For Federal Fiscal Year 2017, the County expects to receive \$2,040,000 from the CDBG Program, \$450,000 from the HOME Program, and \$185,000 from the ESG Program. Both the City and County are also eligible to participate in the Section 108 Program. Section 108 is the loan guarantee provision of the CDBG Program whereby the City and County can borrow up to five times their latest CDBG Program grant for eligible activities.

All citizens, public agencies and other interested parties may either attend this hearing or phone-in during the hearing to offer their views and comments. Persons requiring assistance due to hearing, speech, or vision impairments should notify the City of Reading Community Development Office Phone 610-655-6211, TDD (610) 655-6442.
