



# CITY OF COLUMBIA

## City of Columbia, South Carolina Public Notice

### How would you spend \$17.5 million dollars in your community?

The City of Columbia, South Carolina (City) is receiving comments regarding housing and community development needs within the City's boundaries. The City anticipates receiving an estimated \$907,000 in FY 2010 HOME funds, an estimated \$1,244,500 in FY 2010 CDBG funds, and an estimated \$1,404,500 in HOPWA funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Over a period of five years, the total grant funds are expected to be in excess of \$17.5 million. Citizens are asked to express their views on the allocation of these funds.

Input received will be considered by the City in developing the Five Year Consolidated Plan to be submitted to HUD. The consolidated plan is the application for federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids (HOPWA), and HOME Program funding and consists of a strategy to address the housing, homeless, and community development needs of our City. The plan also includes an Annual Action Plan that identifies the actions to be taking in the coming year to implement the identified strategies.

All interested citizens of the City are invited to provide input on community needs. Citizens may:

1. Attend a public meeting to be held on:
  - February 11, 2010 at 6:00pm at Eau Claire Town Hall (3905 Ensor Avenue);
  - **February 18, 2010 at 6:00pm in the Owens Field Airport Conference Room (1400 Jim Hamilton Boulevard);**
  - April 13, 2010 at 6:00pm at Cecil Tillis Center (2111 Simpkins Road); or
  - April 22, 2010 at 6:00pm at Meadowfield Elementary School (525 Galway Lane)

If you have any special needs, please call (803.545.3369) at least two days prior to the meeting.

2. Complete an online survey. The survey can be completed by going to the website [www.surveymonkey.com/s/columbiasc](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/columbiasc).
3. Provide written comments that are delivered to City of Columbia, Community Development Department, 1136 Washington St., Columbia, SC.

If you have questions, please call Eric Cassell, Community Development Administrator at (803) 545-3369.