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**SUBJECT: Public Asked to Provide Input on Programs & Services for Low Income Residents**

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### **Public Asked to Provide Input on Programs & Services for Low Income Residents**

[Duluth, MN] - Each year the City of Duluth Community Development Division holds a public forum to assist the City in understanding current issues and where or how federal funds should be distributed to benefit low income residents. The City of Duluth is asking for input to help inform the Community Development Committee in making recommendations for use of funds received from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development including Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Program, and Emergency Solutions Grant Program. CDBG funds are used for housing, public services, public facilities and economic development efforts within the city that assists residents achieve self-sufficiency and prosperity.

The Community Development Committee will be hosting a public forum on Tuesday, May 26th, from 5:30 - 6:30 pm at the Damiano Center, 206 W 4th Street, where staff will be collecting public input on the use of federal CDBG funds.

The public can also complete a short online survey at, <http://www.duluthmn.gov/community-development/fy-2016-online-forum/> until May 22, 2015 if they cannot attend the public forum. The City thanks the public for their participation in this critical process.

Questions can be directed to Ben VanTassel, a City Planner, at (218) 730-5299, or [bvantassel@DuluthMN.gov](mailto:bvantassel@DuluthMN.gov)

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