

**PUBLIC HEARING
St. Louis County
Monday, April 27, 2009
6:30 P. M.
121 S. Meramec
Clayton, Missouri**

Interested persons, groups and agencies are invited to attend a public hearing to provide input regarding a Substantial Amendment to the St. Louis County Consolidated Plan. St. Louis County expects to receive approximately two million, one hundred eighty-eight thousand dollars (\$2,188,000.00) from the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing Program (HPRP), a part of the American Recovery and Re-Investment Act (ARRA). In order for St. Louis County to receive this funding a Substantial Amendment to the St. Louis County Consolidated Plan must be submitted to HUD no later than May 18, 2009. Citizens attending the above referenced public hearing will have the opportunity to hear a the draft of the plan and to discuss the needs of St. Louis County residents as they relate to the requirements of this program which may be used to help persons avoid homelessness, or rapidly re-house those who have become homeless.

A request for proposal notice was published on March 26 and 29, 2009 in the St. Louis American and the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, respectively, to solicit applications from not-for-profit agencies to receive this funding. Applications for this funding were made available from March 30, 2009 with a deadline of April 16, 2009.

Following the hearing, there will be a 12 day comment period. During this time, the Substantial Amendment Draft will be posted on the St. Louis County web site www.stlouisco.com Comments provided by citizens at this public hearing, or in the following 12 day period will be attached to the Substantial Amendment to the Consolidated Plan, and may be incorporated as part of the plan. Funding from the HPRP should be available no later than September 1, 2009. Programs using these funds must begin no later than September 30, 2009.

Citizen comments may be directed to Mr. David Koehr, Acting Director, Homeless Services, Department of Human Services, 121 South Meramec-3rd Floor, Clayton, Missouri 63105, Telephone (314) 615-7258, FAX (314) 615-4420, Relay Missouri 1-800-735-2966, Email dkoehr@stlouisco.com

If you wish to attend this public hearing and require accommodations due to a disability, please contact the Department of Human Services, Homeless Division 72 hours in advance. This hearing will be held in the first floor lobby conference room of the World Trade Center Building located at 121 S. Meramec, Clayton, Missouri.

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