

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR TIERED PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

PUBLICATION DATE: November 10, 2025
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On or about November 18, 2025, the City of Uniontown will submit a request to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) to release federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383), as amended, to undertake the following project:

State Theater Rehabilitation: The proposed project located at 37 E Main Street, Uniontown, PA, 15401 involves restoring the existing damaged cornices of the Union Trust Building and Gallatin Avenue Overhang. Project activities consist of removing the cornices from the building during restoration. This will allow for the sealing of the building to prevent future damage. New trim will be installed in accordance with Historic Preservation guidelines. Upon completion, the restored cornices will be re-installed. Along Gallatin Avenue, replacement of the damaged roof components will occur, including removal of the canopy roof/terrace, replacement of wood as needed, and a new skim coat of the roof/terrace with new concrete will be completed. To prevent further water damage, the drainage system will be lined and sealed, and new vinyl soffit will be installed throughout. Project costs include only construction. **Estimated HUD Funding: 2021 CDBG \$79,659.** Estimated Project Cost: \$79,659.

The activity/activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements per 24 CFR 58.35(a). Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR). The ERR will be made available to the public for review during normal business hours at the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Uniontown, 20 N. Gallatin Avenue, Suite 216, Uniontown, PA 15401, or by e-mailing Executive Director of the Redevelopment Authority: director@uniontownredevelopment.com.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR by mail to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Uniontown, 20 N. Gallatin Avenue, Suite 216, Uniontown, PA 15401, or by e-mail to Executive Director of the Redevelopment Authority: director@uniontownredevelopment.com. All comments received by 4:00 p.m. November 17, 2025 will be considered by the City of Uniontown prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Uniontown certifies to DCED that Bill Gerke, in his capacity as Mayor, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. DCED's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Uniontown to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

DCED will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Uniontown's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City; (b) the City has omitted a step or failed to make a determination or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs, or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by DCED; or (d) another federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted to DCED via email to Christine Howe, Economic Development Consultant, at chrhowe@pa.gov in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76). Potential objectors should contact DCED to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Bill Gerke, Mayor, Certifying Officer