



**PIERCE COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** by Pierce County Community Connections that a Substantial Amendment to the Citizen Participation Plan is being made available for public review and comment for thirty days prior to a public hearing by the Citizens' Advisory Board. Pierce County is required by law to have a detailed Citizen Participation Plan, which contains the County's policies and procedures for public involvement in the Consolidated Plan process and the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership (HOME), and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) funds. This Citizen Participation Plan must be available to the public and is currently available at <http://www.piercecountywa.org/cdbg>, click on "Plans and Reports."

**SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT INFORMATION** Pierce County submitted the Citizen Participation Plan to HUD in May 2010. Currently in the Citizen Participation Plan under *B. Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan, 1. Participation*, it states that Community Connections will "Issue a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) in Mid-October and a reminder in November annually." This Substantial Amendment to the Citizen Participation Plan is to announce moving from a one-year funding cycle to a two-year funding cycle for CDBG public service and ESG activities. Therefore, the following language will be added to the Citizen Participation Plan under *B. Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan, 1. Participation*, "Community Connections will issue a RFP in October and a reminder in November every two years beginning in the fall of 2011 for CDBG public service and ESG activities (for FY 2012 & FY 2013 funds)." CDBG public facilities will stay at a one-year funding cycle.

To view this Substantial Amendment to the Citizen Participation Plan please go to: <http://www.piercecountywa.org/cdbg>, click on "Plans and Reports." Citizens have thirty days to review and comment on this Substantial Amendment. The review and comment period will run from Saturday, October 1, 2011 – Wednesday, November 2, 2011. Written comments can be sent to Stephanie Bray, Program Specialist 3, Pierce County, Community Connections, and 1305 Tacoma Ave South, Suite 104, Tacoma, WA 98402. Following the thirty day review and comment period, the Citizens' Advisory Board (CAB) will hold a public

hearing on this Substantial Amendment on Wednesday, November 2, 2011, at 6 PM at 3602 Pacific Ave., Sound View Conference Room 1, Tacoma, WA 98418. This facility is accessible to people with disabilities. Arrangements for persons with disabilities should be made by Wednesday, October 26, 2011, by calling Stephanie Bray at (253) 798-6917, (800) 922- 2456, TDD/Voice (800) 833-6388. For questions relating to this amendment, please contact Stephanie Bray at [sbray@co.pierce.wa.us](mailto:sbray@co.pierce.wa.us) or (253) 798-6917.



## **Substantial Amendment to Citizen Participation Plan**

Pierce County Department of Community Connections is making a Substantial Amendment to the Citizen Participation Plan. A notice was placed in the TNT on Saturday, September 17, 2011 and in the Puyallup Herald on Wednesday, September 21, 2011 notifying the public of this Substantial Amendment, the public comment and review period (Saturday, October 1, 2011 – Wednesday, November 2, 2011), and the public hearing before the Citizens' Advisory Board (CAB) on Wednesday, November 2, 2011 at 6 PM.

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Any public comments submitted during the public comment period and any comments provided during the public hearing will be listed here.

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