NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Belmont County Commissioners intend to apply to the Ohio Development Services Agency for funding under the Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program (CHIP), a federally-funded program administered by the state. The County, in partnership with the City of Martins Ferry, are eligible for \$700,000 of Fiscal Year 2024 CDBG/HOME/OHTF funding, provided the County meets applicable program requirements. On May 31, 2024 the County conducted it first public hearing to inform citizens about the CDBG/HOME program, how it may be used, what activities are eligible, and other important program requirements. The County is proposing to undertake the following CHIP activities for Fiscal Year 2024:

Owner Rehabilitation	\$ 510,000	HOME	LMI
Owner Home Repair	\$ 120,000	CDBG	LMI
Fair Housing	\$ 10,000	CDBG	LMI
Admin/Fair Housing	\$ 60,000	HOME/CDBG	LMI

A second public hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 3:00 P.M. in the Commissioners' Office at the Belmont County Courthouse, 101 W. Main Street, St. Clairsville to give citizens an adequate opportunity to review and comment on the County's proposed CHIP application, including the proposed activities summarized above, before the County submits its application to the Ohio Development Services Agency.

If a participant will need auxiliary aids (interpreter, brailed or taped material, assistive listening device, or other) due to a disability, the courthouse is a handicapped accessible facility. Please contact Natalie Hamilton at (304) 242-1800 prior to June 10, 2024 in order to ensure that your needs will be accommodated. Citizens are encouraged to attend this meeting to express their views and comments on the County's proposed CHIP application. Questions may be directed to Natalie Hamilton of the Belomar Regional Council at (304) 242-1800 for those unable to attend.

Belmont County Commission

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