

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### **SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN 2020 TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN, SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ**

The Township of Franklin is a recipient of Community Development Block Grant funds from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. This notice is provided to advise the public of the intended amendments to the Township's Citizen Participation Plan.

The Township's Citizen participation Plan is being updated as follows: to refine the definition of substantial amendment process for the Township, to expand community outreach and to allow for virtual public hearings in the case of National Emergency or National Disaster. HUD recognizes the effort to contain contagious diseases such as COVID-19 requires limiting public gatherings such as those used in the citizen outreach and participation. The last proposed change provides a period of 5 days for public comment on each substantial amendment for Program Year 2019 in order to facilitate assistance to the community and households impacted economically by COVID-19. A full description of the proposed Substantial Amendment to the Citizen Participation Plan may be reviewed on line on the Township webpage: [franklintwpnj.org](http://franklintwpnj.org)

#### **Comment Period:**

The comment period will begin on June 3 thru 8, 2020. The virtual public hearing will be held June 9, 2020 at 7PM via the internet. Persons wishing to speak should go to the Franklin Township webpage to login to Council Meeting.