



COUNTY OF BUTLER SECTION 504 PLAN FOR HUD FUNDED PROGRAMS

INTRODUCTION

In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Butler County is required to have a Section 504 plan for all HUD programs. This includes Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, HOME and ESG programs. This plan is developed to protect qualified individuals with disabilities from discrimination. This plan also includes the CDBG entitlement communities of Jefferson Township, Penn Township, Slippery Rock Township, and Summit Township of Butler County. This plan protects qualified individuals with disabilities such as physical or mental impairment including hearing, speaking, and visual impairments. It also ensures reasonable accommodations to the disabled.

SECTION 504

Because a Section 504 plan is both required of the federal CDBG, HOME, and ESG Programs, and because it is a valuable part of the planning process, Butler County shall undertake the following steps:

- 1) In published advertisements for the above programs shall include:
 - No persons with disabilities will be denied participation in public hearings;
 - Persons with specific needs can call ahead to obtain certain accommodations for their participation;
 - Disabled person will not be denied program services or opportunities to participate;
 - Disabled persons will not be denied employment opportunities;
 - Date, location, and time of a public hearing to invite project discussion and proposals;
 - Offer of assistance to disabled persons and non-English speaking residents
- 2) Section 504 Master File will contain:
 - A copy of the self-evaluation;
 - A copy of the transition plan, if needed;
 - A list of interested persons who were consulted;
 - A description of areas and building examined and any problems identified;
 - A description of modifications made and remedial steps taken to comply with the regulations as needed;
 - Evidence that new or substantial rehab multi-family projects were constructed/rehabilitated to meet 504 standards where applicable.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For more information regarding the CDBG program please contact the Butler County Planning Commission, 214 S Diamond Street, PO Box 1208, Butler, PA 16003-1208. (724) 284-5300. For more information regarding HOME or ESG contact the Human Services Department 214 S Diamond Street, PO Box 1208, Butler, PA 16003-1208 (724) 284-5304.

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