

# ACDS

Arundel Community Development Services, Inc.

Kathleen M. Koch  
*Executive Director*

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Dear Community Representative:

It is with great excitement that Anne Arundel County begins the budget process for the upcoming fiscal year (FY 2011) and the Consolidated Plan process, which establishes the goals and strategies that will direct housing and community development funding over the next five (5) years.

These two processes will be occurring simultaneously and are a great opportunity for you to assist the County in establishing goals, priorities and performance measures based on current and future needs of limited income residents. The federal funds, which will be available through the budget process, support a wide variety of housing and community development activities to revitalize older communities and benefit low and moderate income residents. Arundel Community Development Services, Inc. (ACDS), a nonprofit organization, manages this budget process on behalf of Anne Arundel County. We not only invite you to submit activity recommendations for funding, but highly encourage you to participate in these processes so that we appropriately document and address the housing and community development needs of our low and moderate income persons.

Enclosed is a schedule of the upcoming public meetings associated with these two processes. This information is also available on our website at [www.acdsinc.org](http://www.acdsinc.org).

Finally, the Local Fiscal Year 2011 Activity Recommendation Form for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and other federal funding is available for downloading at our website- [www.acdsinc.org](http://www.acdsinc.org), or by calling 410-222-7600, ext. 154 or e-mailing [ekarpewicz@acdsinc.org](mailto:ekarpewicz@acdsinc.org). Please note that two copies of each Activity Recommendation Form are due to ACDS by **12:00 noon** on **Wednesday, November 25, 2009**. Any questions may be addressed to a member of the ACDS planning staff by calling 410-222-7600.

Thank you for your interest in our programs. I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Kathleen M. Koch  
Executive Director

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## **Anne Arundel County's FY 2011 - FY 2015 Consolidated Plan Process**

On behalf of Anne Arundel County, ACDS is leading the planning process to develop the County's five year housing and community development Consolidated Plan. The "Con Plan" will govern the direction of federal, State, and local housing and community development funds for the next five years, therefore it is critical that the needs of the community be heard and understood as part of this process.

Citizens, community leaders, housing and community development providers and advocates are encouraged to participate in the following upcoming meetings:

### **October Public Hearing - Thursday, October 22, 2009, 6:30 p.m.**

- Report accomplishments from previous year
- Gather Information on service needs in the community
- Brief update on FY 2011 Budget Process

*Note: FY 2011 Budget Activity Recommendation Forms are due to ACDS by November 25, 2009. An Activity Recommendation Form can be downloaded from our website at [www.acdsinc.org](http://www.acdsinc.org) under "What's New?".*

### **November Public Forum - Wednesday, November 18, 2009, 6:30 p.m.**

- Report on information and data gathering to date
- Prioritize five Year Housing and Community Development Needs as a group

### **February Public Hearing - February 25, 2010, 6:30 p.m.**

- ACDS will present draft five year goals to the public
- Staff will announce FY 2011 Funding Recommendations

*All meetings will be held at ACDS - **2666 Riva Road, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Annapolis, MD.** To arrange any special accommodations, please contact us five business days prior to the meeting at 410-222-7600, ext. 154.*

If you cannot attend one of these meetings, please feel free to provide written comment to [ekarpewicz@acdsinc.org](mailto:ekarpewicz@acdsinc.org) on or before November 13, 2009 or write to: Arundel Community Development Services, Inc. Attn: Erin Karpewicz, 2666 Riva Road, Suite 210, Annapolis, MD 21401. If you are unable to provide your comments in writing, or require special assistance, please contact our offices at 410-222-7600, ext. 154.