April 7, 2015

PUBLIC HEARING TO ANALYZE AND DISCUSS THE IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE AS THEY RELATE TO THE FY 2015 – 2019 CONSOLIDATED PLAN

New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, 101 South Broad Street, Trenton, NJ Room 129, April 24, 2015 1-4 pm

The State of New Jersey is in the process of developing its FY 2015 - 2019 Consolidated Plan. The Consolidated Plan serves as the State’s application for federal funds for the following programs: Community Development Block Grant; Emergency Solutions Grant; HOME Investment Partnerships; and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids. As part of the Plan the NJ Department of Community Affairs (DCA) must identify New Jersey’s housing and community and economic development needs and then develop goals and objectives to address those needs.

As part of the Consolidated Planning process and in an effort to affirmatively further fair housing HUD requires that the State of New Jersey conduct an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice. The Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) involves a comprehensive review and assessment of how the State’s laws, regulations, policies and procedures affect the location, availability, and accessibility of housing, and how conditions, both public and private, affect fair housing choice. As a result, DCA is requesting your assistance to help identify and analyze these impediments to fair housing in the State of New Jersey. This analysis and discussion will help identify the proposed fair housing actions to be taken during the upcoming program period. As a courtesy to all speakers, comments will be limited to 3 minutes.

Non-English speaking or hearing impaired citizens wishing to attend the public hearing must notify the Department at least (5) days prior to the meeting to arrange translation or interpretive services.

For those persons who are unable to attend the public hearing, written comments may be submitted to Richard Montemore, NJ Department of Community Affairs PO Box 806, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0806 or emailed to richard.montemore@dca.nj.gov by May 1, 2015.