

**CITY OF ALTOONA, PA – CONFIDENTIAL RESIDENTIAL QUESTIONNAIRE
NEEDS IN THE CDBG AND HOME PROGRAMS**

The City of Altoona is conducting a survey of residents to identify needs in the community. The survey will also identify views on how residents feel HUD Program funds should be spent, and fair housing concerns, such as acts of discrimination or barriers which may limit the housing choices of families and individuals. The survey will help the City prepare its Five-Year Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan and Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice.

Please take a few minutes and complete this **confidential questionnaire**. If you are unsure of an answer, or the question does not apply to you, please feel free to skip the question.

When completed, return the completed questionnaire to the **City of Altoona’s Community Development Department, 1301 12th Street, Suite 400, Altoona, PA 16601, OR COMPLETE ONLINE at <https://www.altoonapa.gov/departments/community-development/needs-survey>**. The City would appreciate your response by **Friday, September 29, 2024**.

1. **What is the street name and ZIP Code where you live in the City of Altoona?**
Street (Name Only) _____ ZIP Code: _____
2. **Gender:** Male Female Other: _____ Prefer Not to Say
3. **Race/Ethnicity Please check all that apply:**
 White Black or African American American Indian or Alaskan Native Asian
 Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Some Other Race Two or More Races
Are you Hispanic or Latino? Yes No
4. **Age:** 17 or younger 18-20 21-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60 or older
5. **Number of persons living in your household?** One Two Three Four Five Six +
6. **Check the appropriate box which reflects your approximate total yearly household income.**
 less than \$47,550 \$47,550 - \$54,299 \$54,300 - \$61,149 \$61,150 - \$67,899 \$67,900 - \$73,349 \$73,350 - \$78,799 \$78,800 or over
7. **What is your living situation?** Homeowner Renter Mobile Home Camper Trailer/RV
 Hotel/Motel Temporary shelter Vehicle Temporarily with friends/family
 Unsheltered Homeless Other: _____
8. **Does the housing supply need any of the following: Please check all that apply:**
 Minor Rehabilitation Major Rehabilitation Decent, Safe, and Affordable Rental Units
 Affordable Housing Lead or Asbestos Abatement Other: _____
9. **Are there any other housing issues in the City of Altoona? Please list:**

10. **What needs or improvements to the recreational facilities would you like to see? Please check all that apply:**
 Playground Equipment Benches & Picnic Tables Basketball Courts Tennis Courts
 Open Grass Fields Baseball Fields ADA Accessible Play Surfacing ADA Accessible Play Equipment Splash Pads Pools Other: _____
11. **Are there problems in your neighborhood with the following? Please check all that apply:**
 Public Safety Streets Curbs/Sidewalks Handicap Access Parking
 Traffic Storm Sewers Sanitary Sewers Litter Property Maintenance
 Other: _____
12. **Do you use social service programs available in the City? Please check all that apply:**

- Medical Mental Health Homelessness Aging Legal Employment Addiction
 Disabled Youth Services Food Access Childcare Other _____

13. **Are there missing or underfunded programs or services in the City? Please list:**

14. **Are there employment issues in the City of Altoona? Please check all that apply:**
 Lack of Job Opportunities Discriminatory Practices Job Training Legal Barriers
 Transportation ADA Accommodations Childcare Other _____

15. **Are there transportation issues in the City of Altoona? Please check all that apply:**
 Transit Reliability Transit Service Hours Transit Cost Transit Safety & Security
 Parking Walkability Bike Infrastructure Other _____

16. **Are there crime issues in the City of Altoona? Please check all that apply:**
 Theft Drugs Violent Crime Gangs Lack of Community Policing Sexual Assault
 Hate Crimes Domestic Violence Vandalism Other _____

17. **Are there blight (clearance/demolitions) issues in the City? Please check all that apply:**
 Vacant Commercial Structures Vacant Residential Structures Open Dumping Grounds
 Uncut Lawns Vacant Lots Squatting Pest Control Other _____

Fair Housing concerns/impediments include any act of discrimination or barrier that might limit the housing choices of families and individuals. Impediments to fair housing choice are defined as any actions, omissions, or decisions that restrict, or have the effect of restricting, the availability of housing choices based on race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin.

18. **In your opinion, are residents of the City of Altoona aware of how to report fair housing violations or concerns?** Yes No Unsure

19. **What do you think are the primary reasons why fair housing complaints are not reported?**

20. **Please evaluate whether the following situations result in further discriminations and/or barriers to fair housing in the City of Altoona:**

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral/ Unsure	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Concentration of subsidized housing in certain neighborhoods	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lack of affordable housing in certain areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lack of accessible housing for persons with disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lack of accessibility in neighborhoods (i.e. curb cuts)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lack of fair housing education	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lack of fair housing organizations in the City	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
State or Local laws and policies that limit housing choice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lack of knowledge among residents regarding fair housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lack of knowledge among landlords and property managers regarding fair housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lack of knowledge among real estate agents regarding fair housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lack of knowledge among bankers/lenders regarding fair housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other barriers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

21. **Are there additional comments or concerns that you wish to share?**

