



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the Arkansas Administrative Procedures Act, and all other applicable statutes or rules, NOTICE is hereby given that a PUBLIC HEARING will be held on April 29, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. in the Diamond Mine Room on the second floor of the offices of the Arkansas Department of Commerce, 1 Commerce Way, Little Rock, AR 72202.

The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to determine whether the Arkansas Economic Development Commission ("AEDC") should adopt proposed revised rules to the Community Assistance Grant Program ("CAGP"). The proposed revised rules would amend the CAGP as follows: 1) increase the maximum grant award from \$50,000 to \$1,500,000; and 2) include non-profit organizations as eligible grant recipients.

All interested persons are encouraged to send their comments, statements, or opinions to the address below or to attend the Public Hearing and present, orally or in writing, statements, arguments, or opinions on the proposed amendments. The record will remain open for public comment until the close of the 30-day period outlined in the Arkansas Administrative Procedures Act; in this instance, May 15, 2025.

Persons who wish to testify or make comments are requested to submit intended statements in writing in advance of the Public Hearing.

Inquiries should be directed to:

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A copy of the proposed amendments may be obtained or viewed at: https://www.arkansasedc.com/data-reports/rules.