PUBLIC HEARING

The Office of Economic and Community Development (OECD) will conduct a public hearing to obtain citizens' views on housing and non-housing community development needs in the City of Scranton and the development of proposed activities to address those needs. This meeting, which will take place on **Wednesday, July 30, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. in Scranton City Council Chambers, City Hall, 340 North Washington Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania 18503** will provide an opportunity for city residents to participate in the development and implementation of Scranton's First Year Action Plan, which covers the year beginning January 1, 2015 and ending December 31, 2015. Anyone needing the service of an interpreter or any other services under the American Disability Act (ADA) should notify OECD at least forty-eight hours before meeting.

Applications and citizens who are unable to attend the public hearing may submit their comments pertaining to both the 2015 Action Plan and the Five Year Consolidated Plan by **Friday, August 8, 2014** to Scranton's Office of Economic and Community Development (OECD) to the following:

Office of Economic and Community Development (OECD) Municipal Building 340 North Washington Avenue Scranton, PA 18503

Projects and activities to be included in the Action Plan must be consistent with the needs and objectives identified in the City's new Five Year Consolidated Plan. Anticipated 2015 allocations for community and economic development activities, affordable housing and homelessness total \$3,110,000 and are as follows:

Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) - \$2,500,000.00 Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) - \$400,000.00 Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) - \$210,000.00

Those wishing to apply for assistance may obtain applications at OECD or on line at <u>www.scrantonpa.gov</u>. Staff persons are available to provide technical assistance. If interested please schedule an appointment by calling 570/348-4216 Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The City will submit the 2015 Action Plan along with the Five Year Consolidated Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) no later than November 15, 2014.

William L. Courtright Mayor

Linda B. Aebli Executive Director