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**City of Highland to Conduct Citywide Low-to-Moderate Income Survey for CDBG Eligibility
Highland, KS – July 29, 2025**

The City of Highland will partner with Governmental Assistance Services (GAS) to conduct a citywide random sample Low-to-Moderate Income (LMI) survey to assess Highland's eligibility for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the Kansas Department of Commerce. These funds may provide up to \$650,000 in grant funding to support vital municipal projects, including a proposed park/ballfield project at Highland City Park/community ball field.

To qualify for this funding, Highland must demonstrate that at least 51.1% of its residents meet LMI thresholds, as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Beginning the last week of July and first week of August, 2025, GAS staff will begin canvassing randomly selected households across the city's residential domiciles, conducting brief and confidential surveys.

During the survey process, GAS representatives will visit homes to ask just a few general questions:

- The number of persons living in the household
- The combined annual income of those individuals

Each survey takes less than one minute to complete, and resident participation is critical to helping Enterprise secure funding for needed infrastructure and community enhancements. GAS staff will be clearly identified by clipboards and official materials.

Governmental Assistance Services (GAS) conducts LMI surveys with strict confidentiality. No individual financial information will be publicly disclosed or shared. All data collected is aggregated solely to determine the city's eligibility for grant funding. No personal or household financial details will be published or used for any other purpose beyond the application process.

The City of Highland strongly encourages all randomly selected residents to participate in this important effort. The outcome of this survey will directly affect the city's ability to access CDBG funding, which has helped improve infrastructure, housing, and essential community services in cities throughout Kansas.

For more information contact Joann Karn, City Clerk.