City of Greenfield Downtown Revitalization Plan Application Hearing

On or about December 31, 2011, the City of Greenfield intends apply to the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs for a Planning Grant that will potentially be funded with Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) dollars from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). These funds are to be for a community development project to be titled the Greenfield Downtown Revitalization Plan, and will include the following activities:

- 1. a structural inventory and recommendation for restoration of deteriorating historic buildings,
- 2. a market analysis and a strategy to achieve economic goals and potential funding options
- 3. an update to the downtown urban design and land use plan.

The Downtown Revitalization Plan will provide a strategy for the City of Greenfield and Greenfield Main Street Inc. to attract businesses, employers, residents and investors to downtown Greenfield and will further the goals established in the 2006 Greenfield Comprehensive Plan and will update and further the goals established in the 2003 Downtown Master Plan.

Community input will be important to strengthen the community's vision for the downtown area. Through public open houses, focus groups, surveys and interviews, the City will facilitate efforts to enliven and reinforce the core of our city, restore historic buildings and remove obstacles that may be hindering the development or redevelopment of the downtown.

The total amount of CDBG funds requested will not exceed \$50,000. The proposed funds are to be used for the creation of a Downtown Revitalization Plan, and are intended to eliminate the blighted locations within downtown Greenfield. Greenfield Main Street Inc. proposes to furnish the City an amount not to exceed \$5,000 in non-CDBG funds on the project as a required for a 10 percent match to the grant.

The City of Greenfield will hold a public hearing on December 12, 2011, at 7:00 P.M., in the Council Chambers of the Greenfield City Hall to provide interested parties an opportunity to express their views on the proposed federally funded CDBG project. Persons with disabilities or non-English speaking persons who wish to attend the public hearing and need assistance should contact the Commission Secretary, 10 South State Street, Greenfield, IN, 46140, 317-477-4320, not later than December 8, 2011. Every effort will be made to make reasonable accommodations for these persons.

Information related to this project will be available for review prior to the public hearing, as of December 2, 2011, at the office of Engineering and Planning located at 10 South State Street, Greenfield, IN, 46140, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Interested parties are invited to provide comments regarding these issues either at the public hearing or by prior written statement. Written comments should be submitted the office of Engineering and Planning, at the above address, no later than December 9, 2011 in order to ensure placement of such comments in the official record of the public hearing proceedings. This project will not result in displacement of any persons or businesses. For additional information concerning the proposed project, please contact Joanie Fitzwater at the above address and phone number, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.