

## COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT (CSBG) BOARD

### ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT

The CSBG Board of Directors of Albany County, Wyoming is soliciting *applications from individuals interested in being elected to the Board to represent the low-income population*. Candidate nomination forms may be obtained by calling the CSBG Board's administrative assistant at (307)742-9189 or may be picked up at the Interfaith-Good Samaritan office (712 E. Canby St.). Applications for nomination must be completed and returned to the CSBG Board by 5:00 P.M. on August 30, 2019: mailed to P.O. Box 302, Laramie, WY, 82073; faxed to (307)742-9189; e-mailed to sbreit@tribcsp.com; or hand-delivered to 819 E. Harney St.

The *elections will be held September 7 and 11, 2019*, to elect three members who will represent the low-income population. The September 7 election will be held from 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. on Canby St. across from Interfaith-Good Samaritan's new building/location at 712 E. Canby St. -- as part of Interfaith's grand opening events. The September 11 election will held from 10:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. at the Laramie Soup Kitchen, 104 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, in the undercroft of St. Matthew's Cathedral.

Absentee ballots will be available starting September 3 and may be obtained by calling the CSBG Board's administrative assistant at (307)742-9189 or may be picked up at the Interfaith-Good Samaritan office (712 E. Canby St.). Individuals residing in Albany County who are at least 18 years of age and have annual family incomes at or below 125% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines are eligible to vote for the CSBG Board members who represent the low-income population.

Candidates for election must reside in Albany County, be 18 years of age or older, and be able to participate in CSBG Board meetings. They may not be employed by or serve on the board of a human service agency receiving CSBG funds; however, they may receive services from agencies receiving CSBG funds. Candidates do not have to be low-income but must be able to represent the low-income population of Albany County.

The CSBG Board has responsibility for evaluating applications for CSBG funds and overseeing the operations of CSBG service providers. The Board holds regular monthly meetings as well as occasional special meetings to review applications and conduct other business. CSBG funds are used to meet the needs of individuals living at or below 125% of the federal poverty level, and funding priorities are determined in large part by the results of a comprehensive community needs assessment conducted every three years. The tripartite Board has three categories: three members represent the low-income population, three members represent the business community, and three members are or represent elected officials. The newly elected Board members representing the low-income population will begin their terms October 1, 2019.