

## HART COUNTY WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY - NEWS RELEASE

Hart County, in conjunction with the Hart County Water and Sewer Authority (HCWSA), has been approved for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in the amount of \$750,000 from the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA).

The State's CDBG program provides an essential resource to Georgia's smaller, more rural communities in their efforts to support projects that will create jobs and assist low- and moderate-income citizens. As communities large and small are making difficult choices, these grants represent an important investment in various local health and safety, economic development and job creation programs, ensuring Georgia's communities are prepared for economic development opportunities.

The grant will be utilized to expand the HCWSA's water distribution system, which will provide clean and reliable water service and fire protection to areas in need. "Year after year, local governments across Georgia collaborate with citizens to address their needs regarding the places they call home," said Governor Brian Kemp. "This year's CDBG awards reflect how a unified and solutions-based approach can help communities to thrive and build towards a sustainable future."

A total of 58 CDBG grants - totaling over \$40.7 million - were awarded to communities across the State.

The scope of the project includes two areas. Area one includes Akins Lunsford Road and Oak Park Lane. Area two includes Uly White Road, Well Road, Bode Weaver Road, Lack Way, and portions of Seed Cleaner Road, Clay Brown Road, Friendship Road, and John W Jordan Road. HCWSA will install water lines and fire hydrants using CDBG and Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) funds.

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