

Press Release – September 6, 2018

Rogers City, MI – Recently the City of Rogers City received notification from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) that it is not eligible to receive funding from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Eligibility is determined through the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

To qualify for grants and programs to assist in revitalizing the community, the City is required to conduct surveys to update basic demographic information and need your participation. Local researchers from the Community Research Center at Lake Superior State University will be visiting randomly selected households over the next two weeks to conduct a VERY short, anonymous survey of the following information:

1. Your household's size and income level (with only ONE category – Do you make above or below an amount based upon the number of people in your household?).
2. Household adult disability status.
3. Your household's ethnicity and whether the head of household is female.

Again, this survey is anonymous. The City is required to collect updated information in order to qualify for most federal and state improvement grants. To do this, the participation of ALL residents who are selected is needed.

Participants' names will not be recorded and the information collected will be very general and assigned to a random number. Researchers will not share individual data with either the City or the State; just community-wide averages and percentages within each category.

“We sincerely ask you to participate in this survey to support the City,” said Rogers City Manager Joe Hefe. “With your help, we can continue to improve the City's resources and infrastructure in the most cost-effective ways. Please, tell a neighbor and encourage everyone to participate.”

Please feel free to contact City Hall with any questions or comments at (989) 734-2191.