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# **Public Notices**

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COMBINED NOTICE

NOTICE OF 30-DAY COMMENT PERIOD AND

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR

PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 FIFTH ACTION YEAR PLAN

The City's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan contains an assessment of housing, community development, neighborhood conditions, homelessness, and special population needs in Oklahoma City. The City's Fifth Action Year Plan (referred to as "the Plan") summarizes priorities and proposed strategies for FY 2024-25 to address those needs with funds received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). These include the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG), and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program (HOPWA). The funding period is July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. The proposed Plan has been prepared in accordance with HUD guidelines. The objectives and funding recommendations contained in the Plan specifically relate to citizen input, and goals outlined in The City's Consolidated Plan and HUD's overall mission, which includes:

- 1. The provision of decent housing
- 2. The provision of a suitable living environment, and
- 3. Expanding economic opportunities principally for persons of low and moderate income

On January 23rd and 25th, 2024, publicly noticed planning meetings were held at Ralph Ellison Library and Capitol Hill Library respectively, to receive input from private citizens and local service providers. Discussions were initiated about current community needs, and possible programs that could be included in the FY 2024-25 Fifth Action Year Plan to assist in meeting those needs. Citizen input from those meetings is included in the Plan. Next year's proposed project and activity allocations will be presented to the Citizens Committee for Community Development (CCCD) on June 4, 2024. Final HUD allocations were announced on May 7, 2024. The public comment period ends, and a final Public Hearing at City Council is scheduled to be held on July 2, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, 200 N. Walker Avenue. The submission deadline to HUD for the 2024-25 Fifth Year Action Plan is July 5, 2024.

The Plan includes several eligible housing, community development, economic development, and public service activities targeted within designated Strong

Neighborhoods Initiative (SNI) areas within The City's Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA). The NRSA lies within the central urban core where, to the greatest extent possible, 80% of CDBG and HOME allocated funds will be expended. The remaining 20% of funds will be expended for activities in eligible census tracts and block groups where at least 51% or more of the residents are low and moderate income, and in some instances to serve low- and moderate-income persons and households outside of the NRSA boundaries.

The draft Plan is available for review on the City's web page at: https://www.okc.gov/departments/planning/programs/housing-neighborhood-programs.

Or, copies can be requested from the Oklahoma City Planning Department, Community Development Division, 420 W. Main Street, Suite 920.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

### Sources of Funds

Community Development Block Grant 2024-25 \$5,055,205
Prior Year Funds Carried Forward \$2,434,981
Total Sources of CDBG Funds \$7,490,186

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME)

### Sources of Funds

Home Investment Partnerships Program 2024-25 \$2,236,659
Prior Year Funds Carried Forward (FY 2023-24) \$7,721,924
Estimated Program Income FY 2024-25 \$0
Total Sources of HOME Funds \$9,958,583

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT PROGRAM (ESG) ESG funds allocated for 2024-25 \$431,333

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA) HOPWA funds allocated for 2024-25 \$1,399,461

ALLOCATIONS OF FY 2024-25 CDBG

#### CDBG:

**Decent Housing** 

Jefferson Park/Paseo Venture Walnut St. Dev. Infrastructure\* \$100,000 Oklahoma City Housing Assistance Program (to include the listed activities): \$1,375,000

- Housing Exterior Maintenance Project Activity (\$700,000)\*
- Program Delivery Activity (\$675,000)

Oklahoma City Housing Authority (OCHA)\* \$0

Community Action Agency (CAA) Emergency Home Repair \$600,000

Slum and Blight Remediation

Urban Renewal Authority Completions \$788,880

OKC Abandoned Housing-Spot Blight\* \$0

**Public Service Activities** 

Strong Neighborhoods Initiative-PS \$400,000

COTPA (Embark) Share-A-Fare \$105,000

Community Health Services, Inc.-Healing Hands \$65,000

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) \$38,500

**Public Facilities Activities** 

Strong Neighborhoods Initiative-PF\* \$413,762

Garden Oaks Community Center\* \$0

General PF Activity-Undefined\* \$118,022

**Economic Opportunity** 

CAA Small Business \$40,000

Section 108 Loan Repayment\* \$0

Administration

Metropolitan Fair Housing Council \$93,000

Planning \$45,000

Administration \$873,041

TOTAL ALLOCATION OF FY 24-25 CDBG FUNDS \$5,055,205

HOME:

Oklahoma City Housing Assistance Program \* \$0

Down Payment Assistance Program\* \$800,000

Affordable Housing Development Program-available for solicitation\* \$627,494

Creston Park Phase I housing\*

Hillcrest Green Apartments\*

Oklahoma Housing Authority Vita Nova apartments\*

Belmont Development Alley's End Apartments\*

Progress OKC Single Family Home Development Project\* \$250,000

Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Set-aside\* \$335,499

Other CHDO\*

Planning and Administration\* \$223,667

## TOTAL ALLOCATION OF HOME FUNDS \$2,236,659

\*Proposed dollar amounts shown above represent new FY 2024-25 funding only. Activities marked with an asterisk have additional funding proposed to be awarded from Prior Year Funds Carried Forward and/or Funds recaptured and reallocated from prior program years.

\*\*CHDO Set-aside statutory minimum 15% (\$335,498.85)

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG): \$431,333

ESG funds are awarded through an Open Solicitation process. The Continuum of Care Committee will review proposals and make recommendations for funding which will be presented to the City Council for final approval. All ESG funds will be allocated through this process to non-profit organizations providing housing assistance and services to the homeless.

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH HIV/AIDS (HOPWA): \$1,399,461 HOPWA funds are awarded through an Open Solicitation process. The Continuum of Care Committee will review proposals and make recommendations for funding which will be presented to City Council for final approval.

## SUBMISSION PROCESS

The Annual Action Plan submission deadline to HUD is on or before July 5, 2024, unless otherwise extended by HUD. Interested citizens, agencies and public officials are encouraged to provide written comment on the proposed Plan on or before 8:00 a.m. on June 10, 2024 for inclusion in the presentation to City Council. ALL COMMENTS (INCLUDING ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS), AND COMMUNITY INPUT RECEIVED AT, OR PRIOR TO THE FINAL PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE FINAL PLAN SUBMISSION. FINAL PUBLIC HEARING AND CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION IS SCHEDULED FOR July 2, 2024 AT 8:30 AM. AND WILL BE HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 200 N WALKER AVENUE. Anyone who requires accommodation, or an auxiliary aid or service in order to participate in this meeting should contact the ADA department coordinator at (405) 297-2396 or TDD (405) 297-2020 at least 48 hours before the scheduled meeting.

Written comments should be directed to:
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