

PUBLIC NOTICE Homekey CDBG-CV Applications
Public Review Period:
May 28 – June 15, 2021

COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of Alameda will conduct a Public Hearing at **1:30 P.M.**, or soon thereafter, on **June 15th, 2021 at**

Zoom Link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88916566792?pwd=SFRtdit2YUV2RWFQK0p6azBzckkydz09>

Phone number (669) 900-6833, Meeting ID: 889 1656 6792, Passcode: 723720

to consider the following item:

SUBJECT:

POTENTIAL PROGRAM(S) FOR INCLUSION IN THE STATE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CDBG-CV) APPLICATION – The Board of Supervisors will consider potential CDBG-CV programs and provide direction for staff to prepare an application in response to the release of the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for CDBG-CV funds for COVID-19 related activities that benefit low- and moderate-income residents.

On March 27, 2020, Congress passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act in response to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has published a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CDBG-CV2 and CV3) funds. Eligible cities and counties may submit applications for CDBG-CV funds under the upcoming NOFA. It is estimated that Alameda County will be eligible to receive funds based on a formula allocation provided by HCD. The State will receive \$113,263,490 in CDBG-CV2 funds and \$ 18,031,478 in CDBG-CV3 funds.

Eligible activities paid for with State CDBG funds must meet one of the three National Objectives listed in CDBG Federal Statutes as follows: benefit to low-income households or persons (also called Low/Mod Benefit), slum and blight (addressing physical problems in specific neighborhoods) or meeting urgent community development need (a need resulting from a state or federal declared disaster or posing unforeseen risks to health and safety). In addition, eligible activities must be used directly to prevent, prepare for or respond to COVID-19 and meet CDBG requirements as provided and directed by HCD in the published NOFA and outlined in their plan as follows: public services to respond to COVID-19 impacts; public facility improvements to increase capacity for healthcare facilities and improve public facility safety; housing facilities for persons experiencing homelessness, including acquisition and rehabilitation; economic development to support needs of local businesses to retain and bring

back jobs impacted by COVID-19. Alameda County anticipates applying under this NOFA. The County does not expect to expend any Program Income dollars in the next program year/contract term. The County promotes fair housing and makes all its programs available to low- and moderate-income families regardless of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual preference, marital status or handicap.

CDBG Activity: Housing facilities for people experiencing homelessness

The County will apply for approximately \$12.2M of CDBG-CV funding to rehabilitate two County-owned former hotels. The buildings are located at 8452 and 8350 Edes Avenue, Oakland. The hotels will be rehabilitated and rented to extremely-low households experiencing homelessness. The \$12.2M will be used to meet the Low/Mod CDBG national objective. The activities are not expected to result in the displacement of any households.

Where You Come In: The purpose of this public hearing/meeting is to give community members an opportunity to make their comments known regarding what types of eligible activities the County should be applying for under the State CDBG program. Any member of the public may virtually participate in the meeting and be heard on the item described in this notice, or members of the public may submit written comments prior to the meeting to HCDAdmin@acgov.org, Attn: CDBG Homekey, or Alameda County Housing and Community Development Department, Attn: CDBG-CV Homekey Application, 224 W. Winton Room 108, Hayward, CA 94544. If you require special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, please contact HCDAdmin@acgov.org, Attn: CDBG Homekey at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the HCDAdmin@acgov.org, Attn: CDBG Homekey or to Alameda County Housing and Community Development Department, Attn: CDBG-CV Homekey Application, 224 W. Winton Room 108, Hayward, CA 94544. Your comments will be read at the meeting. For More Information: If you have any questions or would like more information regarding the item described in this notice, please contact HCDAdmin@acgov.org, Attn: CDBG Homekey. The State Action Plan Substantial Amendment for the CARES Act funding may be accessed at: <https://www.hcd.ca.gov/policy-research/plans-reports/index.shtml#aap>. State CDBG NOFA's can be accessed at: <https://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-funding/activefunding/cdbg.shtml>.

The Agenda, presentation, and the RFP for the former Comfort Inn and Days Hotels will be available for inspection beginning **May 28, 2021** at <http://www.acgov.org/cda/hcd/>. **The public review period will end on June 15, 2021.**

TDD English: (510) 834-6754. Interpretation available. Un Español idioma interprete disponible en la notificar de entre cinco (5) días al número (510) 670-5203. Para TDD, llame al numero (510) 265-0253.