

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS
FOR TIERED PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS**

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On or after July 25, 2022 the City of Elk Grove will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (Title 42 U.S. Code [U.S.C.] Section 5301 et seq.), as amended, to undertake the following project:

Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: Housing Rehabilitation Program.

Purpose: The Program will provide loans, forgivable loans, and/or grants to low-income homeowners within the City of Elk Grove for the purpose of repairing or rehabilitating their homes.

Location: The city limits of the City of Elk Grove, excluding those areas within a Severe Flood Hazard Area (SFHA).

Project/Program Description: Existing single-family homes, duplexes, mobile homes, and individual condominium units will be eligible. The majority of funds will be focused on directly remedying health and safety hazards; limited funding may also be available for general improvements such as painting and flooring. Tier 2 site specific reviews will be completed for those laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier 1 broad review for each address under this program when addresses become known.

Level of Environmental Review Citation: Section 58.35(a)(3) and (5).

Tier 2 Site Specific Review: The site specific reviews will cover the following laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier 1 broad review: Site specific factors listed at 24CFR Sections 58.5 and 58.6, including without limitation historical preservation, explosive/flammable operations, toxic substances, airport clear zones, and flood insurance.

Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any): None.

Estimated Project Cost: The maximum funding expended over the Housing Rehabilitation Program's five-year period (July 2021 through June 2026) will be \$600,000; the maximum loan/grant amount will be \$50,000, although most loans and all grants will be considerably less than this. The maximum number of housing units repaired is expected to be 36. No funds have been expended under the program as of the date hereof.

The activity/activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements per Section 58.35(a)(3) and (5). An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at City of Elk Grove, Housing Department located at 8401 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758, and may be examined or copied weekdays 8 A.M to 5 P.M. For electronic access, to the ERR, please visit the City's website at: <http://www.egplanning.org/environmental>.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Sarah Bontrager, Housing and Public Services Program Manager at the City of Elk Grove, by email at sbontrager@elkgrovecity.org. All comments received by July 24, 2022 will be considered by the City prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Elk Grove certifies to HUD that Jason Behrmann, City Manager for the City of Elk Grove, in his capacity as Certifying Officer consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Elk Grove to use HUD program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Elk Grove's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Elk Grove; (b) the City of Elk Grove has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD grant administration office at CPD_COVID-19OEE-SFO@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD via email at CPD_COVID-19OEE-SFO@hud.gov to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Jason Behrmann, City Manager for the City of Elk Grove, Certifying Officer