

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF MISSION VIEJO NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS/REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025

Notice is hereby given that the City of Mission Viejo anticipates receiving approximately \$365,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for Fiscal Year 2024-2025. The primary objective of the CDBG Program is "the development of viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low- and moderate-income."

The scope of CDBG-eligible activities established by HUD ranges from public works improvements to housing rehabilitation and social service programs that primarily benefit low- and moderate-income persons (that is, 80% or less of County median income). Funding for social service programs is limited to a maximum of 15% of the City's total allocation for a given year - approximately \$54,750 for Fiscal Year 2024-2025; however, this figure is subject to change based on the final allocation of CDBG funds approved by HUD.

At this time, the City is accepting applications from existing tax-exempt California nonprofit organizations that provide eligible CDBG services benefiting low- and moderate-income Mission Viejo residents. The City is also requesting community input concerning grant allocation. The City of Mission Viejo Community Services Commission will review and recommend the public service component of the application to the Planning and Transportation Commission. The Planning and Transportation Commission will conduct a public hearing on all aspects of the proposed application and recommend specific programs and funding amounts to the City Council. The public hearings held by the Community Services Commission and Planning and Transportation Commission on this matter are tentatively scheduled for February 20, 2024, and March 11, 2024, respectively.

Nonprofits that want to apply for funding for a particular project may obtain an application from the City of Mission Viejo Community Development Department at 200 Civic Center, Mission Viejo, CA 92691. Applications are available beginning December 18, 2023. The application may also be downloaded from the City's website – www.cityofmissionviejo.org (follow the links to Community Development, CDBG). Applications must be submitted to the City of Mission Viejo Community Development Department at the address above by 12:00 PM, January 26, 2024. Applications will not be accepted after this deadline.

Questions regarding this notice should be directed to Mike Linares, Community Development Consultant, at mlinares@cityofmissionviejo.org.

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