

CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE DRAFT 2023 – 2027 CONSOLIDATED PLAN, ASSESSMENT OF FAIR HOUSING, AFFORDABLE/WORKFORCE HOUSING PLAN AND DRAFT 2023 ACTION PLAN

Notice is hereby given that the City of Albuquerque (COA), Department of Family & Community Services has prepared its draft 2023- 2027 Consolidated Plan, Assessment of Fair Housing, Affordable/Workforce Housing Plan and draft Program Year 2023 Action Plan. In addition to the previous virtual public hearing, with record attendance, an additional in-person public hearing will be held to present the draft 2023-2027 Consolidated Plan and draft Program Year 2023 Action Plan. The public hearing will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 5:30 pm at Los Griegos Health & Social Services Center, 1231 Candelaria Rd NW, to give the public another option to participate and comment. Language interpreters can be made available during the hearing upon prior request. For individuals with disabilities who need assistance to benefit from the public hearing, please contact Yolanda Krantz at (505) 768-2885 or (TTY) 711.

The Consolidated Plan analyzes data and information supplied by residents and stakeholders to determine the short- and long-term needs of the community and provides a strategy for the investment of federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds from HUD in addition to other local funds to address community development, affordable housing, homelessness and other needs in Albuquerque. The City estimates receiving a total of \$21,737,810 of CDBG funds, \$11,235,575 of HOME funds and \$1,923,590 of ESG funds during the five-year period of the Consolidated Plan beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2028. These funds may be used for activities including, but not limited to, public facilities and infrastructure improvements, affordable housing development and preservation, public social services, economic development, homelessness prevention and rapid rehousing, program administration and other activities necessary to affirmatively further fair housing choice.

The Action Plan serves as the City's grant application to HUD. This document includes specific activities to be undertaken with CDBG, HOME, ESG funds and other local funds in furtherance of the Consolidated Plan strategies during Program Year 2023, July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024. Notice is hereby given that the Department of Family & Community Services proposes its Program Year 2023 Action Plan budget for the first year of funding under the City's 2023-2027 Consolidated Plan. Estimated funding from HUD includes \$4,347,562.00 of CDBG funding; \$21,000.00 of CDBG program income; \$94,311.46 of prior year(s) CDBG funding; \$2,247,115.00 of HOME funding; \$100,000 of HOME program income; \$348,865.89 of prior

year(s) HOME funding; and \$384,718.00 of ESG funding. The Action Plan will also include \$3,940,602.75 of City General funds.

The draft 2023 Action Plan includes proposed funding for the following projects:

COA Administration- Funding: CDBG \$869,512.40, HOME \$224,711.50

Funds will be used for administrative costs to support the implementation of the COA's 2023 Action Plan.

Affordable Homeownership Assistance – Funding: CDBG \$1,179,000.00, CDBG Program Income \$21,000.00, HOME Program Income \$100,000.00

Funds will be provided to Homewise and Sawmill Community Land Trust to assist low to moderate income homebuyers purchase an affordable home.

Affordable Housing Development - Funding: HOME \$1,223,963.70, HOME Prior Year(s) \$348,865.89, HOME Match \$436,778.75

Projects funded under this category will be provided assistance to develop affordable housing units, either rental or homeownership, for low- and moderate-income households, either through development or acquisition and rehabilitation.

CHDO Housing Development - Set-Aside - Funding: HOME \$337,067.25

The HUD required set-aside funds will be provided to a City certified Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) to carry out eligible HOME activities. Eligible set-aside activities include the acquisition and/or rehabilitation of rental housing, new construction of rental housing, acquisition and/or rehabilitation of homebuyer properties, new construction of homebuyer properties and direct financial assistance to purchase a HOME-assisted housing unit that has been developed with HOME funds by the CHDO.

Affordable Housing Preservation – Rental – CDBG: \$1,000,000.00

Funds will be used by Albuquerque Housing Authority to upgrade and improve public housing properties. Upgrades and improvements will include window and door replacements, cabinetry replacement, evaporative cooler replacement, furnace replacement and plumbing upgrades.

CHDO Operating - Funding: HOME: \$50,000.00

Funds will be provided to Greater Albuquerque Housing Partnerships, a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO), to assist with operating costs incurred implementing housing activities.

Dental Services - Funding: CDBG \$229,760.00, GF \$67,400.00

These funds will be used by Albuquerque Healthcare for the Homeless to provide a full range of dental services to medically indigent, low- and moderate-income persons in the City who are experiencing homelessness.

Deposit Assistance - Funding: CDBG \$50,000.00

Funds will be provided to the City's Health and Social Services Centers to provide rental deposit assistance payments for low to moderate income persons.

Early Childhood Services - Funding: CDBG \$35,838.00, GF \$20,000.00

Cuidando Los Ninos will receive funds to provide child development services, as well as case management to homeless children and their families.

Eviction Prevention - Funding: CDBG \$200,000.00

Funds will be provided to the City's Health and Social Services Centers to provide emergency rental and utility assistance for low to moderate income persons residing within the Albuquerque city limits.

Homeless Intervention and Rapid Rehousing- Funding: ESG \$384,718.00.00, ESG Match \$384,718.00, GF \$2,821,706.00

Projects under this category will provide services to populations experiencing homelessness by providing emergency shelter services, transitional housing opportunities and permanent supportive housing opportunities. Funds will also be used for administrative costs to support the implementation of these services for the 2023 Action Plan.

<u>Public Facilities and Improvements – Park Improvements - CDBG: \$664,151.60, Prior Years</u> <u>CDBG \$94,311.46</u>

Funds will be provided to the City's Parks Department for improvements/renovations and expansion to Phil Chacon Park. Improvements/renovations include, but may not be limited to, renovate irrigation system, remove and replace play area, remove and replace basketball court, improve softball field, add a dog park, pump track, community garden space and futsal ball court.

Senior Meals Program - CDBG: \$119,300.00

The Department of Senior Affairs will receive funds to support program costs to provide congregate meals to low-income seniors.

TBRA- Funding: HOME \$536,372.55

Funds will be provided to Enlace for a Tenant Based Rental Assistance Project. Specific high priority populations will be served with these funds.

Tenant/Landlord Hotline - Funding: GF \$75,000.00

Funds will be provided to Legal Aid of New Mexico to provide services for a landlord tenant hotline that will support landlords and tenants with housing related legal issues.

Fair Housing Education/Training - Funding: GF \$10,000.00

The City will administer activities that provide fair housing education and training to housing service providers and members of the public.

This public hearing is to allow for additional participation and comments. The documents are available on the City of Albuquerque Department of Family and Community Service's website at: https://www.cabq.gov/family/transparency/consolidated-plans-and-amendments. A reasonable number of printed copies may also be made available at no charge at the Department of Family and Community Services, Old City Hall Building, 400 Marquette NW, 5th Floor, Room 504, Albuquerque, NM 87103. Additionally, the draft 2023-2027 Consolidated Plan and 2023 Action Plan document can be provided in alternative formats (i.e., Braille/large print, audio tape) for the disabled and may also be translated into Spanish for Limited English Proficient (LEP) Spanish speaking persons, upon request.

All residents, property owners, persons with disabilities, immigrants, seniors, low-income persons, children and youth, persons experiencing homelessness, and other stakeholders in Albuquerque are invited to review the draft plan. The City will submit all comments and responses in its formal application for funding to HUD on May 17, 2023 or at a later date as directed by HUD. Final funding levels for projects included in the Action Plan that is submitted to HUD may differ from the proposed funding listed above, which are based on estimates of the 2022 grant amounts awarded by HUD. Increases or decreases in funding will be allocated based upon need of listed projects. Any remaining balance will be proportionally distributed amongst projects. The draft Action Plan, as well as the final submission to HUD, will be posted to the City of Albuquerque Department of Family and Community Service's website at: https://www.cabq.gov/family/transparency/consolidated-plans-and-amendments

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