

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

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On or after November 12, 2025, the Alameda County Community Development Agency will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of the Healthy Homes Production Grant Program, which is authorized under Section 501 and Section 502 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. 1701z-1 and 1701z-2), and funding for this program is provided by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118-42) as approved on March 9th, 2024, to undertake the following project:

Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: Healthy Homes Production Grant
Program: Minor Home Modifications for Health Promotion

Purpose: The proposed program under the Alameda County Healthy Homes Department (ACHHD) seeks to enhance the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (CLPPP) by implementing the "Minor Home Modifications and Interventions for Health Promotion" grant program. This program addresses the presence of health disparities and chronic conditions of lead poisoned children in high-risk census tracts in Alameda County (such as priority areas of East and West Oakland) negatively impacted by environmental and home-based hazards, especially those persistently present in substandard housing. The Alameda County Community Development Agency is requesting the release of \$2,000,000 of HUD Healthy Homes Production Grant funds, and will provide \$200,000 of matching funds.

Location: Alameda County

Project/Program Description: The program will integrate comprehensive Healthy Homes Assessments to identify low-cost housing interventions and modifications that aim to promote positive health outcomes and address both symptoms and chronic illnesses potentially caused (or exacerbated by) home-based hazards. Interventions and/or home modifications will directly improve the health and safety of occupants by targeting key housing-related hazards, specifically those identified within the 29 housing hazards in the Healthy Home Rating System. The project anticipates recruiting an estimated 110 families, providing them with healthy housing assessments and cost-effective housing interventions for identified hazards extending beyond lead-based paint

and/or lead hazards. Minor, low-cost healthy housing interventions may include component repair and replacement, systems repair and replacement, pest and excess moisture and mold treatments, minor electrical, carpentry, plumbing, and repairing or improving other health and safety issues identified in a healthy homes assessment. Units to be enrolled will include both single-family and multi-family housing. The program Period of Performance is projected to be 42-months (May 1, 2025 - November 1, 2028) with a 90-day close-out period. 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: Categorically Excluded per 24 CFR

58.35(a), and subject to laws and authorities at §58.5: 58.35(a)(3)(i) and 58.35(a)(4)(i)

Tier 2 Site-Specific Review: The site-specific reviews will cover the following laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier 1 Broad Review. In accordance with §58.15, a tiered review process has been structured, whereby some environmental laws and authorities have been reviewed and studied for the intended target area(s) listed in the Tier 1 Broad Review and above. More specifically, the target area(s) have been reviewed and achieved compliance with the following laws and authorities in the Tier 1 Broad Review including, but not limited to: *Airport Hazards, Coastal Barrier Resources Act, Flood Insurance, Air Quality, Coastal Zone Management Act, Contamination and Toxic Substances, Endangered Species Act, Explosive and Flammable Hazards, Farmlands Protection, Floodplain Management, Historic Preservation, Noise Abatement and Control, Sole Source Aquifers, Wetlands Protection, and Wild and Scenic Rivers Act*. The site-specific reviews will cover the following laws and authorities not individually addressed in the Tier 1 Broad Review: *Flood Insurance, Historic Preservation, Contamination and Toxic Substances, etc.* Other applicable environmental laws and authorities will be complied with when individual projects are ready for review.

Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any): Mitigation measures for each of the laws and authorities listed in the Tier 1 Broad Review in the compliance determinations section will be applied for the individual Tier 2 Site-Specific Review(s).

Estimated Project Cost: \$2,000,000 of HUD funding with the anticipated cost for interventions and/or home modifications up to \$3,800 per enrolled unit.

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements per 58.35(a)(3) and 58.35(a)(4). An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the Alameda County Healthy Homes Department located at 2000 Embarcadero #300, Oakland, CA 94606, and may be examined or copied weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The ERR is also posted on the Alameda County Healthy Homes Department website at

<https://www.achhd.org/> and <https://cpd.hud.gov/cpd-public/environmental-reviews>, and an electronic copy can be requested by emailing healthyhomesadmin@acgov.org.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Alameda County Healthy Homes Department at 2000 Embarcadero #300 Oakland, CA 94606 (Email: healthyhomesadmin@acgov.org). All comments received by November 11, 2025, will be considered by the Alameda County Healthy Homes Department prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Alameda County Healthy Homes Department certifies to HUD that April Williamson, Certifying Officer, in her capacity as Department Director 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 Alameda County Healthy Homes Department to use HUD program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the Alameda County Healthy Homes Department'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 name of the Alameda County Healthy Homes Department; (b) the Alameda County Healthy Homes Department 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 at 451 7th Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20410. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

April Williamson, Department Director of Alameda County Healthy Homes Department, Certifying Officer