SAN MATEO COUNTY

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

Notice of Proposed Uses of CARES Act Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) funds.

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Public Law 116-136, was signed into law on March 27, 2020 to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19). The CARES Act provided up to \$5 billion in supplemental funding to states and local governments through Community Development Block Grants Coronavirus (CDBG-CV), Emergency Solutions Grants Coronavirus (ESG-CV), and other funding programs. From this amount, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) immediately allocated \$2 billion based on the fiscal year 2020 CDBG and ESG formulas.

On April 2, 2020, HUD made the first special allocation (Round 1) to the County of San Mateo Department of Housing (DOH) in the amount of \$1,570,637 in CDBG-CV funds and \$799,531 in ESG-CV funds to be used to prevent, prepare for and respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19).

On June 9, 2020, HUD made a second allocation (Round 2) to the County of San Mateo Department of Housing (DOH) in the amount of \$5,144,656 in ESG-CV funds to be used to prevent, prepare for and respond to COVID-19.

On June 30, 2020, the Board of Supervisors held a public hearing on a substantial amendment to the San Mateo County Community Participation Plan and a substantial amendment to the County's 2018-2022 Consolidated Plan for the federal CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs related to the (CARES) Act. The CARES Act provided up to \$5 billion in supplemental funding to states and local governments through Community Development Block Grants Coronavirus (CDBG-CV), Emergency Solutions Grants Coronavirus (ESG-CV), and other funding programs. From this amount, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) immediately allocated \$2 billion based on the fiscal year 2020 CDBG and ESG formulas.

The County is proposing to use its total ESG-CV award of \$5,944,187 to support Rapid Re-Housing and Emergency Shelter activities, as well as administrative costs. Rapid Re-Housing activities include assistance and services to help households who have been negatively impacted by COVID-19 find and maintain permanent housing. Emergency Shelter activities include operations of the County's existing and new congregate and non-congregate shelter programs.

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