

CITY OF VICTORVILLE NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA) COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAMS FY 2024-2025

NOFA: The City of Victorville is pleased to announce the availability of over \$1,900,000* for FY 2024-2025 for Community Planning and Development programs and projects. Funds under this NOFA are provided by two programs: the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Programs.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM: The Federal Community Planning and Development Act of 1974, as amended, provides Federal Community Development Block Grant funds for projects that promote the development of viable, urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment and expanded economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate-income. For FY 2024-2025, which begins July 1, 2024, the City of Victorville estimates receiving approximately \$1,381,396 in CDBG funds. All CDBG funded projects must meet one of the following National Objectives:

- 1) Principally benefit low and moderate-income persons;
- 2) Eliminate slums and blight; or
- 3) Meet an urgent need.

The types of projects and programs which may be considered for funding, subject to National Objective compliance, include public services, acquisition, disposition, public facilities and improvements, clearance activities, interim assistance, removal of architectural barriers and special economic development activities.

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME): HOME is authorized under Title II of the Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. HOME funds may be used to develop and support affordable rental housing and homeownership affordability through acquisition, including assistance to homebuyers, new construction, reconstruction or rehabilitation of non-luxury housing with suitable amenities, including real property acquisition, site improvements, conversion, demolition, and other expenses such as financing costs, relocation expenses of any displaced persons, families, businesses, or organizations. HOME funds may also be used to provide tenant-based rental assistance (including security deposits), provide payment of reasonable administrative and planning costs, and to provide for the payment of operating expenses of community housing development organizations (CHDOs).

The City of Victorville has formed a consortium with the Town of Apple Valley in order to meet the threshold of obtaining HOME entitlement status with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The successful formation of this consortium resulted in an annual allocation of HOME funds to both communities. For FY 2024-2025, the Consortium anticipates receiving approximately \$911,188. Of that amount, Victorville and Apple Valley will receive an estimated \$605,850 and \$305,338 respectively.

APPLICATION ELIGIBILITY: Applications will be evaluated for eligibility based on the City's Consolidated Plan priorities and objectives as well as the CDBG National Objectives and eligibility standards established by HUD and the City of Victorville for both programs. These objectives and standards are outlined in the application instructions package provided with the application package.

APPLICATION AVAILABILITY: Applications for the City's FY 2024-2025 Community Planning and Development Grant programs will be made available beginning Friday, November 17, 2023, on the City's website at:

https://www.victorvilleca.gov/government/city-departments/development/planning/housing-programs-425

Applications may also be requested by calling (760) 243-6312 or by e-mailing: planning@victorvilleca.gov

MANDATORY APPLICATION PREPARATION WORKSHOP: City staff will provide three technical assistance workshops to aid in the preparation of applications. The workshops will be held:

Wednesday, November 29, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. Victorville City Hall 14343 Civic Drive, Conference Room D Victorville, CA 92392

Tuesday, December 12, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.
Victorville City Hall
14343 Civic Drive, Conference Room D
Victorville, CA 92392

Wednesday, January 10, 2023, at 3:00 p.m.
Victorville City Hall
14343 Civic Drive, Conference Room D
Victorville, CA 92392

Workshop information can also be found on the City's website at the following address:

https://www.victorvilleca.gov/government/city-departments/development/planning/housing-programs-425

All parties interested in submitting an application for funding are <u>required</u> to attend at least one of the workshops provided.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Original hard copy applications must be received via mail, courier, or in person no later than 3:00 p.m. on Friday, January 19, 2024, at the City of Victorville, Planning Department, 14343 Civic Drive, Victorville, CA 92392. Late, emailed or faxed applications **will not** be considered for funding.

QUESTIONS: For more information or for questions regarding the City's Community Planning and Development Grant programs, please contact Liliana Collins, Development Specialist, by calling (760) 243-6312.

November 17, 2023

^{*} Available funding subject to change based upon actual award from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.