

Notice of Public Hearing for Discussion of Possible State CDBG Application

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **City of Etna** will conduct a public hearing on February 27, 2023 at 6:30 pm, at Etna City Hall 442 Main St., Etna, CA in order to discuss possible applications for funding under this fiscal year's (July 1 to June 30) State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and to solicit public input on possible program income, competitive and over the counter activities to be included in the application.

The Community Development and Economic Development allocations of the State CDBG program will be published in a combined "Notice of Funding Availability" (NOFA) each program year. Eligible cities and counties may submit Community Development and Housing applications for CDBG funds under the 2022 NOFA for a maximum per application request of \$1,500,000.00 It is estimated that the funding of the State 2022 CDBG program allocation is approximately \$30,000,000.

The Economic Development "Over-the-Counter" (OTC) allocation has a limit of 30% of the annual allocation, less state operating funds. The NOFA also includes the Native American and Colonia allocations. The Native American allocation is only for areas with high concentrations of low-income Native American residents, who are not part of a federally recognized Native American Indian tribe or Rancheria. The Colonia funding is only for designated communities within 150 miles of the Mexican American border.

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES UNDER THE ABOVE ALLOCATIONS IN THE 2022 NOFA CONSIST OF: HOMEOWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE AND HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAMS; PROGRAM INCOME ONLY FOR PUBLIC FACILITY AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS (INCLUDING PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN SUPPORT OF NEW HOUSING CONSTRUCTION); PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAMS, PLANNING STUDIES, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS ASSISTANCE AND MICROENTERPRISE ACTIVITIES. ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES PAID FOR WITH STATE CDBG FUNDS MUST MEET ONE OF THE THREE NATIONAL OBJECTIVES LISTED IN CDBG FEDERAL STATUTES AS FOLLOWS: BENEFIT TO LOW –MODERATE INCOME HOUSEHOLDS OR PERSONS; ELIMINATION OF SLUMS AND BLIGHT; OR MEETING URGENT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEED (WITH PRIOR DEPARTMENT APPROVAL).

The City of Etna anticipates submitting an application under the NOFA published during this program year to expend existing Program Income Funds. The City of Etna has or anticipates receiving approximately \$ _____ in CDBG Program Income that may be included in the application.

The purpose of this public hearing is to give the public an opportunity to make their comments known regarding what types of eligible activities the **City of Etna** should apply for under the State CDBG program.

If you require special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, please contact Pam Eastlick at (530) 467-5256.

If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the **City of Etna**, at P.O. Box 460, Etna, CA 96027, or you may telephone Pam Eastlick at (530) 467-5256. In addition, information is available for review at Etna City Hall 442 Main St., Etna, CA 96027 between the hours of 8:00 am to 4:00 pm on Monday through Friday.

The City of Etna promotes fair housing and makes all its programs available to low- and moderate-income families regardless of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, marital status, or handicap.