

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR TIERED PROJECTS

December 23, 2022
City of South San Francisco
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On or about January 3, 2023, the City of South San Francisco will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and implementing regulations for the State Program at 24 CFR Part 570, Subpart I, to undertake the following four projects/contracts under its Minor Home Repair Program in the PY2022 Annual Action Plan:

Project #1:

Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: City of South San Francisco Minor Home Repair Program – Rebuilding Together Safe at Home

Purpose: The goal of the program is to keep City of South San Francisco families in their affordable homes. Simple improvements/repairs can make a difference in a family living comfortably or abandoning their house and needing other affordable housing.

Location: All repairs will be on single family homes located within the City of South San Francisco.

Project/Program Description: Safe at Home is a year-round program that addresses minor repair needs. The program provides critical health and safety related home repair needs for low-income homeowners, including home safety modifications that allow low-income seniors to safely age in place by eliminating the threat of injury or accident, particularly from falling. Low-income homeowners, majority elderly and BIPOC, in San Mateo County will have access to free home repair services that enable them to live in a dry, clean, pest-free, ventilated, safe, contaminant-free, maintained, thermally controlled, accessible, and affordable home. This program will meet the CDBG national objective Low-Mod housing benefit under matrix code 14A – Rehab; Single-Unit Residential with an estimated 10 units to be completed.

Level of Environmental Review Citation: Rehabilitation Program of homeowner occupied single family homes, “24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(3)(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:

- Contamination and Toxic Substances
- Flood Insurance
- Floodplain Management
- Historic Preservation
- Noise Abatement and Control
- Environmental Justice

Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any): None have been identified as part of the Broad Level Tier 1 Review.

- There is currently no mitigation measures or conditions needed. Each Tier 2 site-specific review will be assessed using a site-specific form and utilizing the HUD requirements for review. Any environmental conditions will be addressed with the subgrantee before assistance released. There are no conditions or permits needed for this program.

Estimated Project Cost: \$55,250 of Community Development Block Grant Funds will be used towards the project.

Project #2:

Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: City of South San Francisco Minor Home Repair Program - Rebuilding Together National Rebuilding Day

Purpose: The goal of the program is to keep City of South San Francisco families in their affordable homes. Simple improvements/repairs can make a difference in a family living comfortably or abandoning their house and needing other affordable housing.

Location: All repairs will be on single family homes located within the City of South San Francisco.

Project/Program Description: National Rebuilding Day (NRD) is a volunteer-driven home repair program, held twice per year, that brings volunteers together on behalf of dozens of low-income homeowners, ensuring that every neighbor served has one of the most critical of human needs met -- a safe and healthy home. The program provides major critical repairs to low-income homeowners that lack the financial means and technical expertise to address the repair issues plaguing their health and safety. NRD's main objective is that the homes owned by our low-income neighbors are dry, clean, pest-free, ventilated, safe, contaminant-free, maintained, thermally controlled, accessible, and affordable. This program will meet the CDBG national objective Low-Mod housing benefit under matrix code 14A – Rehab; Single-Unit Residential with an estimated 3 units to be completed.

Level of Environmental Review Citation: Rehabilitation Program of homeowner occupied single family homes, “24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(3)(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:

- Contamination and Toxic Substances
- Flood Insurance
- Floodplain Management
- Historic Preservation
- Noise Abatement and Control
- Environmental Justice

Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any): None have been identified as part of the Broad Level Tier 1 Review.

- There is currently no mitigation measures or conditions needed. Each Tier 2 site-specific review will be assessed using a site-specific form and utilizing the HUD requirements for review. Any environmental conditions will be addressed with the subgrantee before assistance released. There are no conditions or permits needed for this program.

Estimated Project Cost: \$15,750 of Community Development Block Grant Funds will be used towards the project.

Project #3:

Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: City of South San Francisco Minor Home Repair Program - CID Housing Accessibility Modification Program

Purpose: The goal of the program is to keep City of South San Francisco families in their affordable homes. Simple improvements/repairs can make a difference in a family living comfortably or abandoning their house and needing other affordable housing.

Location: All repairs will be on single family homes located within the City of South San Francisco.

Project/Program Description: Center for Independence of Individuals with Disabilities' Housing Accessibility Modifications Program provides home modifications for extremely low, very low-, and low-income individuals with disabilities living in San Mateo County. The Program installs ramps, handrails, grab bars, vertical lifts, and other modifications to make homes accessible and affordable. This program will meet the CDBG national objective Low-Mod housing benefit under matrix code 14A – Rehab; Single-Unit Residential with an estimated 4 units to be completed.

Level of Environmental Review Citation: Rehabilitation Program of homeowner occupied single family homes, “24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(3)(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:

- Contamination and Toxic Substances
- Flood Insurance
- Floodplain Management
- Historic Preservation
- Noise Abatement and Control
- Environmental Justice

Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any): None have been identified as part of the Broad Level Tier 1 Review.

- There is currently no mitigation measures or conditions needed. Each Tier 2 site-specific review will be assessed using a site-specific form and utilizing the HUD requirements for review. Any environmental conditions will be addressed with the subgrantee before assistance released. There are no conditions or permits needed for this program.

Estimated Project Cost: *\$10,000 of Community Development Block Grant Funds will be used towards the project.*

Project #4:

Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: City of South San Francisco Minor Home Repair Program - El Concilio Peninsula Minor Home Repair

Purpose: The goal of the program is to keep City of South San Francisco families in their affordable homes. Simple improvements/repairs can make a difference in a family living comfortably or abandoning their house and needing other affordable housing.

Location: All repairs will be on single family homes located within the City of South San Francisco.

Project/Program Description: El Concilio's Peninsula Minor Home Repair Program provides minor home repair services to residents of San Mateo County enabling extremely low, very low-, low- and fixed-income residents who do not initially qualify for all of the Energy Savings Assistance and electrification benefits. PMHR program is in line with South San Francisco's affordable housing priorities of preserving and improving existing housing. Services include conducting minor home repairs such as broken or moldy windows, or a lack of accessibility modifications such as safety handrails, which are unsuitable and unsafe, especially for children or the elderly. This program will meet the CDBG national objective Low-Mod housing benefit under matrix code 14A – Rehab; Single-Unit Residential with an estimated 30 units to be completed.

Level of Environmental Review Citation: Rehabilitation Program of homeowner occupied single family homes, “24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(3)(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:

- Contamination and Toxic Substances

- Flood Insurance
- Floodplain Management
- Historic Preservation
- Noise Abatement and Control
- Environmental Justice

Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any): None have been identified as part of the Broad Level Tier 1 Review.

- There is currently no mitigation measures or conditions needed. Each Tier 2 site-specific review will be assessed using a site-specific form and utilizing the HUD requirements for review. Any environmental conditions will be addressed with the subgrantee before assistance released. There are no conditions or permits needed for this program.

Estimated Project Cost: \$27,000 of Community Development Block Grant Funds will be used towards the project.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of South San Francisco by mailing comments to the attention of Heather Ruiz at 400 Grand Avenue, South San Francisco, CA 94080 or emailing Heather Ruiz at heather.ruiz@ssf.net. All comments received by December 30, 2022 will be considered by the City of South San Francisco prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of South San Francisco certifies to HUD that Sharon Ranals, in her capacity as Interim City Manager of the City of South San Francisco, 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 City of South San Francisco to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of South San Francisco'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 City of South San Francisco; (b) the City of South San Francisco 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 or incurred costs 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 via email in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD - CPD San Francisco Field Office at CPD_COVID-19OEE-SFO@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD - CPD San Francisco Field Office via email to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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City of South San Francisco