



Notice of Intent to Request Release of Funds [Tiered Reviews]

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On or after August 17th, 2020 the Salt Lake City Corporation, Housing and Neighborhood Development, will authorize the Community Development Corporation of Utah (CDCU) to submit a request to the Community Planning and Development (CPD) HUD Program Office in Denver, Colorado for the release of HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funds under 24 CFR 92 of the HOME Final Rule of 2013, as amended, to undertake the following project:

Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: *HOME Down Payment Assistance Program* Purpose: *Provide down payment assistance to low income families and individuals (under 80%) in Salt Lake City boundaries to increase home ownership.*

Location: Salt Lake City, Utah

Project/Program Description: CDCU will give direct aid in the form of grants and loans to first time LMI home buyers in Salt Lake City for down payment assistance. Clients are screened for eligibility and receive home buyer education and counseling. The down payment assistance amounts are up to \$14,000 depending on client need. 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: 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(3)

Tier 2 Site Specific Review: The site specific reviews will cover the following laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier 1 broad review: Airport Hazards, Contamination and Toxic Substances, Explosive and Flammable Hazards, Floodplain Management, Historic Preservation, and Noise Abatement and Control.

Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any): There is currently no mitigation needed. Each Tier 2 Site Specific Review will be assessed using a Site-Specific Form and utilizing the HUD requirements for review. Any issues will be addressed with the subgrantee before assistance is released. There are no conditions or permits needed for this program.

Estimated Project Cost: \$200,000





The activity/activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements per 35(a)(3). An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review-records/.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Housing and Neighborhood Development Division of Salt Lake City Corporation. All comments received by August 17, 2020 will be considered by the Housing and Neighborhood Development Division of Salt Lake City Corporation prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Housing and Neighborhood Development certifies to HUD that Lani Eggertsen-Goff, Certifying Officer, in her capacity as Housing and Neighborhood Development 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 CDCU to use HUD program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the Housing and Neighborhood Development 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 Housing and Neighborhood Development (b) the Housing and Neighborhood Development 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 CPD Denver Office at 1670 Broadway, Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Lani Eggertsen-Goff, Housing and Neighborhood Development Director, Certifying Officer