

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

March 25,2025

**City of Long Beach, Department of Health and Human Services
2525 Grand Avenue, #220
Long Beach, CA 90815**

(562) 570-4484

On or about April 7, 2025 the City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Homes Production funds under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, as amended, to undertake the following multi-year program/project: The City of Long Beach Healthy Homes Production Program inspects for, and hires contractors to repair, home-based health hazards in 130 low-income residential units throughout the City of Long Beach, California. There are no consortium members. The City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services is requesting the release of \$1,706,641 in Federal funds, and \$258,476 in match from the City of Long Beach.

The proposed home-based hazard repair activities to be funded under this/these program(s) is/are categorically excluded from the National Environmental Policy Act requirements, but subject to compliance with some of the environmental laws and authorities listed at § 58.5 of 24 CFR Part 58. In accordance with §58.15, a tiered review process has been structured, whereby some environmental laws and authorities have been reviewed and studied for the intended target area(s) listed above. Compliance with other applicable environmental laws and authorities will be met when individual projects are reviewed, i.e., Flood Insurance, Historic Preservation, Contamination/Toxics. Should individual aggregate projects exceed the threshold for categorical exclusion detailed at §58.35(a), an Environmental Assessment will be completed and a separate Finding of No Significant Impact and Request for Release of Funds published. Copies of the compliance documentation worksheets are available at the address below.

An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at 2525 Grand Avenue, Room 220, Long Beach, California, or requested by e-mail from healthyhomes@longbeach.gov. The ERR may be examined or copied at 2525 Grand Avenue weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Department of Health and Human Services, c/o Michael Netter, Bureau of Environmental Health, 2525 Grand Avenue #220, Long Beach CA 90815 or via e-mail to healthyhomes@longbeach.gov. All comments received by March 7, 2025 will be considered by the City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services prior to authorizing submission of a Request for Release of Funds and Environmental Certification to HUD.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services certifies to HUD that Thomas Modica in his official capacity as City Manager, 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 Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services certifies to utilize federal funds and implement the Program.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will consider objections to its release of funds and the City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services certifies certification for a period of fifteen days following either the anticipated submission date (cited above) or HUD's actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if the objections are on one of the following bases: (a) that the Certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of The City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services certifies (b) the City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services certifies has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services certifies has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; (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), and may be addressed to HUD and sent to the email address:

OLHCHHPECOS@hud.gov

Thomas Modica, City Manager, City of Long Beach