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# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY HOUSING AND FEDERAL GRANTS DIVISION

Sarah B. Jones INTERIM DIRECTOR	DATE:	Thursday, March 30, 2023 at 6 P.M.
Marin County Civic Center	TO:	Countywide Priority Setting Committee
3501 Civic Center Drive Suite 308 San Rafael, CA 94903 415 473 6269 T 415 473 7880 F 415 473 2255 TTY	FROM:	Molly Kron, Senior Planner Leelee Thomas, Deputy Director of Housing and Federal Grants
	SUBJECT:	Public Workshop to Discuss Funding Applications
Building and Safety Environmental Health Services Planning Environmental Review	MEETING LOCATION:	Virtual Hearing via Zoom. Register here: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_U1ZUiz mhRsRjfByXptSA

#### **Request:**

1. Review applications identified by the Countywide Priority Setting Committee members and funding applicants.

#### **Background:**

The Federal Grant program operates on a two-year application cycle designed to enable nonprofit partners to better plan their programs and increase impact while reducing administrative burden. Under this structure Public Service projects are eligible for funding renewal based on the accomplishing goals and subject to available CDBG funds. Capital and Housing projects apply for funding using a twoyear project timeline and budget. This process provides the flexibility for staff to open a mid-cycle application in the event projects are not moving forward or additional resources become available.

The upcoming 2023-24 funding cycle is the 2nd year of the two-year application. Because of additional funding sources becoming available for housing projects staff issued a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) in February 2023.

The application being considered are vying for funding from the following funding sources State Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) matched by Local Marin County Affordable Housing Fund (HTF), Federal HOME-ARP (new funds allocated through the American Rescue Plan), Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME).

## PG. 2 OF 2 Discussion:

#### **Application Review Workshop**

This meeting is a workshop format. No decisions will be made and no votes will be taken. Staff will provide a brief overview of the process and applications under consideration. Committee members may identify projects to learn more about. Applicants and staff will provide summary information for the committee and address questions and comments about applications.

#### Workshop Purpose:

- Provide the PSC with an overview of applications received.
- Give the PSC an opportunity to review applications and provide comments to staff prior to making recommendations.

#### Workshops Goals:

- Increase ownership and involvement of the PSC in funding recommendations.
- Increase understanding of limited funding and valuable projects.

Applicants should note that the Committee will make its recommendations for funding allocations at a separate series of public hearings scheduled for April and May 2023. These meetings will be open to the public, and the agendas include open time for public comment.

All 2023-24 applications are posted on the <u>County's Housing and Federal Grants</u> webpage.

### **Actions Required:**

1. No actions are to be taken.

### **Application Links:**

- <u>Community Infrastructure/Capital Project Applications</u>
- Housing Project Applications
- <u>Public Services Project Applications</u>