

**NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)
FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) AND
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP (HOME) PROGRAMS**

To All Interested Parties:

The Town of Apple Valley ("Town") will be accepting Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2022 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Project Application Forms from Town Departments and community organizations seeking funding to implement eligible housing, community and economic development projects consistent with the CDBG program regulations at 24 CFR Part 570, affordable housing projects consistent with the HOME program regulations at 24 CFR Part 92 and the priority needs of the Town's 2017-2021 Consolidated Plan. The Town anticipates receiving approximately \$596,645 of CDBG funds and \$783,168 of HOME funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Applications shall be for activities designed to meet one of the Town's five (5) Priority Needs included in the 2017-2021 Consolidated Plan: (1) Housing Programs, (2) Homeless and At-Risk-of-Homelessness Services, (3) Economic Development and Employment Opportunities, (4) Human Services and (5) Accessibility and Mobility.

Proposed projects under the CDBG and HOME programs must benefit low- and moderate-income people. Applicants are advised that information and source documentation on family size, income and HUD-required demographic data of beneficiaries may be required, subsequent to award, during the term of the contract. The CDBG regulations limit the use of CDBG funds for public services to 15 percent of the final CDBG allocation from HUD, estimated to be \$89,496 for the Town, unless the activities prevent, prepare for or respond to Coronavirus (COVID-19). The minimum grant funding level per public service application selected for funding is \$4,000.

The Town may deviate from the minimum grant amount or program priorities noted above in cases where Council determines it to be in the best interest of the residents of the Town. Applications are evaluated for eligibility based on HUD regulations and the extent to which the proposed activity meets community needs. Applicants must submit a complete Project Application Form for each project. The Town will use this information to determine if the proposal is eligible for CDBG or HOME funding.

A Mandatory Technical Assistance Workshop will be held on **Thursday, January 7, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.** via Zoom to explain the application process and answer any questions. Applications for CDBG and HOME funding will be made available on the Town's website www.applevalley.org effective January 7, 2021. Applications must be delivered to and received by the Housing and Community Development Department, Attn: Silvia Urenda, Town Hall, 14975 Dale Evans Parkway, Apple Valley, California **no later than 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 11, 2021** in order to be considered. **No Late Applications, Faxes or Postmarks will be accepted.** Please contact Silvia Urenda, at (760) 240-7000 ext. 7910 or via email at SUrenda@applevalley.org with any questions you may have and to RSVP for the Mandatory Technical Workshop to ensure you receive the invite to the Zoom meeting.

Those applications meeting Federal and Town eligibility requirements will be provided to the Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee (CDCAC) for their review and recommendation to the Town Council. The CDCAC will conduct a Public Hearing on Thursday, March 4, 2021 to meet to provide funding recommendations to be included into the Town's 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan to be taken to Town Council in April 2021 for approval. After the Town Council considers all public testimony, all eligible applications, and the CDCAC recommendations, they will approve the 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan including projects approved for CDBG and HOME funds.

THE FUNDING DECISIONS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL SHALL BE FINAL.