

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS
FOR A TIERED PROJECT**

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City of Elgin, Community Development Department
150 Dexter Court
Elgin, IL 60120

On or after August 6, 2021, the City of Elgin, Community Development Department will submit a request to the Office of Community Planning and Development, US Department of Housing and Urban Development, for the release of Community Development Block Grant- CV funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act, as amended to undertake the following project:

Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: Healthy Homes Rehabilitation Program.

Purpose: The Healthy Homes Rehabilitation Program will help eligible Elgin homeowners correct mold, lead-based paint, poor ventilation, and other substandard living conditions.

Location: Various addresses within the City of Elgin. The specific addresses will be assessed in the site-specific reviews.

Project/Program Description: Provide housing rehabilitation assistance to eligible homeowners in order to correct code violations, eliminate substandard conditions, address health and safety issues, and increase efficiency.

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: Rehabilitation Program of homeowner occupied single-family homes - 24 CFR Part 58.5(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: Floodplain Management and Flood Insurance, Contamination and Toxic Substances, Explosive and Flammable Hazards, Historic Preservation, Wetlands Protection, and Environmental Justice.

Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any): None

Estimated Project Cost: \$619,744.00 for up to 32 households.

The activity proposed is categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements per 24 CFR Part 58.5(a)(3)(i). An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at Kane County Office of Community Reinvestment, 143 First Street, Batavia, IL 60510 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:30 A.M to 4:30 P.M or at <https://www.onecpd.info/environmental-review/environmental-review-records>

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Kane County Office of Community Reinvestment located at 143 First Street, Batavia, IL 60510 or email BeckJosh@co.kane.il.us. All comments received by August 6, 2021 will be considered by the County of Kane, prior to submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Elgin certifies to HUD that Richard Kozal, Certifying Officer, in his capacity as the 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. Approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Elgin to use HUD program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City's certification for a period of eighteen 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 Elgin; (b) the County 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:

Mr. Donald G. Kathan
Director, Office of Community Planning and Development
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
77 West Jackson Blvd., Room 2423
Chicago, IL 60604

Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Mr. Richard Kozal, City Manager, Certifying Officer