

## **Notice of Public Hearing for Discussion of Possible State CDBG Application**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of Nevada will conduct a public hearing on August 30, 2017 at 2:00 pm, in the Empire Room, Second Floor of the Eric Rood Administrative Center, 950 Maidu Ave, Nevada City CA 95959, in order to discuss possible applications for funding under 2017/2018 funding cycle of the State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and to solicit citizen input on possible activities to be included in the application.

The Community Development and Economic Development Allocations of the State CDBG program will publish a combined "Notice of Funding Availability" (NOFA) each program year. Eligible cities and counties may submit applications for CDBG funds under the NOFA. It is estimated that up to \$5,000,000 will be available in total for the County to apply. The Economic Development "Over-the-Counter" (OTC) Allocation requires a separate application with a maximum limit of \$3,000,000 per year. The NOFA also includes the Native American and Colonia's Allocations. The Native American Allocation is only for areas with high concentrations of low-income Native American residents, who are not part of a federally recognized Native American Indian tribe or Rancheria. The Colonia's funding is only for designated communities within 150 miles of the Mexican-American border.

Two eligible activities and one planning application may be submitted. Eligible activities under the above allocations in the NOFA consist of: homeownership assistance and housing rehabilitation programs; public facility and public improvements projects (including public improvements in support of new housing construction); public service programs, planning studies, economic development business assistance and microenterprise activities. Eligible activities paid for with State CDBG funds must meet one or more of the three national objectives listed in CDBG federal statutes as follows: benefit to low income households or persons; elimination of slums and blight; or meeting urgent community development need.

The County of Nevada anticipates submitting an application under the NOFA published during the program year. The County will also review any Program Income that is on hand or expected to be expended over the next fiscal year.

The purpose of this public hearing is to give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known regarding what types of eligible activities the County of Nevada should apply for under the State CDBG program. A separate public hearing will be held to discuss and approve the application prior to submittal to the State.

If you require special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, please contact the Housing and Community Services Office at (530)265-1645.

If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to Rob Choate, Administrative Services Associate, 950 Maidu Avenue, Nevada City, CA 95959 or you may telephone the Office at (530) 265-1645 In addition, information is available for review at the above address between the hours of 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday.

The County of Nevada promotes fair housing and makes all its programs available to low and moderate-income families regardless of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual preference, marital status or handicap.