

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### CITY OF UPLAND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT NOTICE OF FUNDS AVAILABILITY (NOFA) FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017

The Federal Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended provides Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for projects that promote the development of viable urban communities by providing decent housing, suitable living environments, and expanded economic opportunities, particularly for persons of low and moderate income.

Over the past years, the City of Upland has participated in the CDBG Program. It is anticipated that the City will be receiving grant funds for fiscal year 2016-2017 for CDBG is estimated at \$517,709. The City invites applications for projects. A general description of the type of eligible projects is summarized below. The list is condensed and simplified from CDBG. The CDBG Committee will review applications and make funding recommendations to the City Council.

Goals of Upland's CDBG Program:

- 1) Business enhancement through façade rehabilitation;
- 2) Improve neighborhoods;
- 3) Improve public facilities and infrastructure;
- 4) Provide public services for low-income residents;
- 5) Prevent and eliminate homelessness; and
- 6) Ensure equal access to housing opportunities.

**ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES:** To be eligible for CDBG funding consideration, projects must meet one of the following three national program objectives:

- 1) Benefiting low- and moderate-income persons;
- 2) Aiding in the prevention or elimination of slums and blight; or
- 3) Urgent need (i.e., emergency assistance for disaster relief)

Project submitted under the low- and moderate-income objective can be qualified by one of two methods. It can be located and primarily serve residents within the "Eligible Area-Benefit Zones" or, it can be approved as a "Direct Benefit" project. A direct benefit project is one serving only low- and moderate-income individuals (not exceeding 80% of County median income), whose eligibility is determined by obtaining income and residency verification.

If the project is being submitted under the objective of aiding in the prevention or elimination of slum and blight, HUD requires documentation substantiating the slum and blighting conditions.

**PROGRAM MANDATED LIMITS:** At least 70% of the yearly CDBG allocation must be used to benefit low- and moderate-income persons. A maximum of 20% of current year CDBG funding for planning and administration. A maximum of 15% of the total current year CDBG allocation may be devoted to public service projects.

**APPLICATION:** proposed projects application must be submitted to the City no later than 5:00 P.M., January 19, 2016. Application can be obtained at the Development Services Department office located at 460 N. Euclid Ave, Upland, CA 91786, application also available on the City website: <http://uplandredevelopment.org/housing/community-block-grant>. For additional information, please call Deborah Alcorn, Housing Coordinator (909) 931-4113

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