

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

May 5, 2023

Washington County Community Development Agency (CDA)
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Woodbury, MN 55125
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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Washington County Community Development Agency (CDA).

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS: On or about May 26, 2023, the above named agency on behalf of Washington County will submit a request to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383), as amended, and for the release of HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funds under Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, to undertake the following projects:

Tier One §58.5 (CEST) Environmental Reviews were conducted on the following projects:

Homeowner Rehabilitation – Assistance to low- and moderate-income households to rehabilitate owner-occupied residences located in Washington County (\$245,000 CDBG); and

Homeowner Acquisition and Rehabilitation- Assistance to Two Rivers Community Land Trust to acquire and make energy efficient improvements to three single family located in Washington County which will then be sold to low to moderate income households (\$183,457 CDBG); and

Homeowner Acquisition and Rehabilitation- Assistance to Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity to acquire and make improvements to one single family homes located in Washington County which will then be sold to low to moderate income households (\$95,000 CDBG); and

Tier Two Reviews will be conducted once sites are identified.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT: It has been determined that the projects will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Records (ERR) on file at the above address and may be examined or copied on weekdays from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. The ERR can also be found at <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review/environmental-review-records/>

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR's to the Washington County CDA at publiccomment@washingtoncountycda.org All comments received by 4:30 P. M. CST on May 26, 2023, will be considered by the Washington County CDA prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION: The Washington County CDA certifies to HUD that Karly Schoeman in her capacity as Deputy Executive Director and Certifying Officer 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.

HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows Washington County to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS: Objections must be prepared and submitted via email in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to the Minnesota Office of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Community Planning and Development (CPD) at CPD_COVID-19OEE-MIN@hud.gov Potential objectors should contact HUD via email to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Karly Schoeman, Deputy Executive Director and Certifying Officer

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BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE WASHINGTON COUNTY
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

/s/ Melissa Taphorn
Melissa Taphorn
Executive Director

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Language interpreters are available upon request. Please call 651-458-0936 to make arrangements.