

CITY OF FORT BRAGG

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Fort Bragg will conduct a public hearing on **FRIDAY**, **OCTOBER 13, 2017**, at **4:00 p.m**. at Town Hall, southwest corner of Main and Laurel Streets (363 N. Main Street), Fort Bragg, California 95437. The purpose of the public hearing is to discuss future applications for funding under the State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and to solicit citizen input on possible activities to be included in future CDBG applications.

The Community Development and Economic Development Allocations of the State CDBG program generally publish a combined "Notice of Funding Availability" (NOFA) each program year. Eligible cities and counties may submit applications for CDBG funds under the NOFA. In 2016, up to \$2,000,000 was available in total per jurisdiction. For 2017, up to \$5,000,000 is allowed per application. Amounts to be made available under future NOFAs are not certain. The combined NOFAs include 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. The Economic Development "Over-the-Counter" (OTC) Allocation requires a separate application with a minimum of \$300,000 and a maximum limit of \$3,000,000 per jurisdiction per year.

Eligible activities under CDBG NOFAs generally consist of:

- Homeownership Assistance and Housing Rehabilitation Programs;
- Multi-Family Housing Projects including facility acquisition and/or rehabilitation; or acquisition of real property for this purpose;
- Public Facility and Public Improvements Projects (including Public Improvements in Support of New Housing Construction);
- Public Service Programs;
- Planning Studies; and
- Economic Development Business Assistance and Microenterprise Activities.

The City of Fort Bragg may only apply for limited activities in the 2017 NOFA and only under a "50% Expenditure Waiver" application. Per the Waiver process, the City of Fort Bragg's 2017 application is limited to one "shovel ready" project.

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 purpose of the public hearing is to give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known regarding what types of eligible activities the City of Fort Bragg should apply for in the upcoming opportunities under the State CDBG program. After the Design Phase is completed and before an application is submitted to the State CDBG program, a separate public hearing will be held for the purpose of public disclosure and for City Council discussion and approval of an application.

If you plan to attend the public hearing and need a special accommodation because of a sensory or mobility impairment/disability or have a need for an interpreter, please call (707) 961-2827 to arrange for those accommodations to be made.

If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the City of Fort Bragg Community Development Department, 416 North Franklin Street, Fort Bragg, CA 95437 or you may telephone Jennifer Owen, Special Projects Manager, at (707) 961-2827 or email her at jowen@fortbragg.com. In addition, information is available for review at the above address between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on weekdays.

The City of Fort Bragg 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.

Dated: September 22, 2017

June Lemos, CMC

City Clerk

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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COUNTY OF MENDOCINO

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that I am employed by the City of Fort Bragg in the Community Development Department; and that I caused this Notice to be posted in the City Hall Notice Case on September 28, 2017.

June Lemos, CMC

City Clerk

CC:

City Manager
Fort Bragg City Council
Community Development Director
Special Projects Manager
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