The City of Fresno will receive approximately $23.7 million of federal funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Community Planning and Development (HUD CPD) to fund programs and projects to implement the City’s housing and community development strategies to benefit low- and moderate-income persons. The funds will be sub-awarded to programs and projects operated by City Departments or eligible non-profit organizations to address the most critical community needs outlined in the City’s adopted 5-year Consolidated Plan available at www.fresno.gov/housing. The workshops and hearing will include an additional focus on receiving suggestions on allocating HOME – American Recovery Plan Act (HOME-ARP) funds to reduce the impact of COVID-19 on people experiencing homelessness or who are at risk of homelessness.

The City requests input to identify the most effective activities to implement the following strategies:

- Provide assistance for the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless through safe low-barrier shelter options, housing-first collaborations, and associated supportive services.
- Improve access to affordable housing for low-income and special needs households by partnering with interested developers to increase development of low-income and affordable housing in high opportunity areas, and by promoting the preservation and rehabilitation of existing affordable housing units.
- Promote quality of life and neighborhood revitalization through improvements to current public infrastructure and facilities, and by closing gaps in areas with aging, lower quality, or nonexistent public infrastructure and facilities.
- Provide services to low-income and special needs households that develop human capital and improve quality of life.
- Provide services to residents and housing providers to advance fair housing.
- Plan and administer funding for community development, housing, and homelessness activities with improved transparency, increased community involvement, and full compliance with federal regulations.
- Planning and allocation of $11.9 million in HOME-ARP funds to reduce the impact of COVID-19 on people experiencing homelessness or who are at risk of homelessness.

The City expects to receive the following funds for fiscal year 2022-2023:

- $7,184,218 – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- $3,289,681 – HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME)
- $714,258 – Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS/HIV (HOPWA)
- $606,586 – Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)
- $11,922,873 – HOME – American Recovery Plan Act (HOME-ARP)

Virtual Community Needs Workshops and a Public Hearing will be held to request input about which eligible activities residents would like to see funded, and how those activities can be most effectively implemented.

Virtual Community Needs Workshop #1
January 19, 2022 at 11:00 A.M.
Join using Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/94997484602
Join by Phone: 669-900-9128

Virtual Community Needs Workshop #2
January 20, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.
Join using Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/98651051765
Join by Phone: 669-900-9128

City of Fresno
January 6, 2022
Virtual Community Needs Workshop #3
January 24, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.
Join using Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/94673503569
Join by Phone: 669-900-9128
Meeting ID: 946 7350 3569

Virtual Community Needs Workshop #4
January 25, 2022 at 11:00 A.M.
Join using Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/92680194243
Join by Phone: 669-900-9128
Meeting ID: 926 8019 4243

Community Needs Public Hearing
January 27, 2022 at 10:05 A.M. or thereafter
Participation instructions will be available 72 hours before the hearing at fresno.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx

Following the Public Hearing, the City will prepare a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for HUD CPD funding. Eligible organizations may submit applications for funding for the projects described in the NOFA.

Notice of Funding Availability
Tentative Release Date: February 4, 2022
Applications Due: March 4, 2022 by 4:00 P.M.
www.fresno.gov/housing under ‘Notices of Funding Available’

The City will evaluate applications according to the criteria published with the NOFA and prepare a draft Annual Action Plan. Residents are invited to submit comments on the draft plan, which will be addressed in the final version submitted to HUD and presented to the City Council for consideration prior to adopting the plan.

2022-2023 Annual Action Plan Public Comment Period
March 18, 2022 – April 19, 2022 at 5:00 P.M.
The draft plan will be published at www.fresno.gov/housing under ‘Public Comment Opportunities’
The following options are available for submitting comments:

Submit Comments by Mail:
City of Fresno
Planning and Development Department
Attn: Housing and Community Development Division
2600 Fresno Street Room 3065
Fresno CA 93721
Submit Comments by Fax:
559-457-1579
Submit Comments Online:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/P2P6V5F
Submit Comments by Email:
HCDD@fresno.gov
Please include “2022 Action Plan” in the subject line
Submit Comments by Phone:
559-621-8300
Submit Comments by TTY:
559-621-8721

The Council of the City of Fresno will conduct a public hearing to obtain residents views regarding the plan, and will thereafter consider the plan for adoption.

City Council Annual Action Plan Public Hearing
April 28, 2022 at 10:05 A.M. or thereafter
Participation instructions will be available 72 hours before the hearing at fresno.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx

City of Fresno
January 6, 2022
Spanish and Hmong interpretation will be available at all workshops and public hearings. Pursuant to the Executive Order, and in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need additional accommodations such as interpreters, sign language signers, or the services of a translator, please contact the Housing and Community Development Division by calling 559-621-8300, by emailing HCDD@fresno.gov, or by TTY at 559-621-8721. To ensure availability, you are advised to make your request at least three business days prior to the meeting.