# CITY OF FRESNO PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

### 2024-2025 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS AND PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The City of Fresno will receive approximately \$12 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 <a href="https://www.fresno.gov/housing">www.fresno.gov/housing</a>.

### 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.

The City expects to receive the following funds for fiscal year 2024-2025:

- \$6,897,161 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- \$3,578,083 HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME)
- \$990,192 Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS/HIV (HOPWA)
- \$601,082 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

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.

### Community Needs Workshop #1

November 7, 2023, 11 AM – 1 PM Chinatown Fresno Foundation 912 F Street, Fresno 93706 Register at https://bit.ly/AAPFresno1

#### Virtual Community Needs Workshop #1 November 8, 2023, 11 AM – 1 PM Join using Zoom: https://bit.ly/3ZZNfsR

### Community Needs Workshop #2

November 13, 2023, 6 PM – 8 PM West Fresno Family Resource Center 1802 E. California Ave, Fresno 93706 Register at https://bit.ly/AAPFresno2

#### Community Needs Workshop #3

November 14, 2023, 6 PM – 8 PM Live Again Fresno 1146 W. Hedges Ave., Fresno 93728 Register at https://bit.ly/AAPFresno3

#### Community Needs Workshop #3

November 16, 2023, 6 PM – 8 PM Teague Community Resource Center 4718 N. Polk Ave., Fresno 93722 Register at https://bit.ly/AAPFresno4

### Virtual Community Needs Workshop #2

November 27, 2023, 6 PM – 8 PM Join using Zoom: https://bit.ly/3Q14PrM

Virtual Community Needs Workshop #3 November 28, 2023, 6 PM – 8 PM Join using Zoom: https://bit.ly/3M2qVJo

#### Virtual Community Needs Workshop #4

November 29, 2023, 11 AM – 1 PM Join using Zoom: https://bit.ly/48T9hBH

#### **Community Needs Public Hearing**

December 7, 2023, at 10:05 PM or thereafter City Hall 2600 Fresno Street, 93721

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: December 18, 2023 Applications Due: January 26, 2024 by 5 PM www.fresno.gov/housing under 'Notices of Funding Available' tab

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.

### 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan Public Comment Period

March 4, 2024 – April 4, 2024, at 5 PM

The draft plan will be published at <u>www.fresno.gov/housing</u> under 'Public Comment Opportunities' The following options are available for submitting comments:

<u>Submit Comments by Mail:</u> City of Fresno Planning and Development Department Attn: Community Development Division 2600 Fresno Street Room 3065 Fresno CA 93721

Submit Comments by Fax: 559-457-1579

<u>Submit Comments Online:</u> https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/24-25AAPinput Submit Comments by Email: HCDD@fresno.gov Please include "2024 Annual Action Plan" in the subject line

Submit Comments by Phone: 559-621-8300

Submit Comments by TTY: 559-621-8721

City of Fresno October 30, 2023 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 18, 2023 at 10:05 AM or thereafter

Participation instructions will be available 72 hours before the hearing at fresno.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx

Spanish, Hmong, Punjabi, and ASL interpretation will be available at all workshops upon request. Pursuant to the Executive Order, and in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need additional accommodations at public hearings, such as interpreters, sign language signers, or the services of a translator, please contact the Community Development Division by calling 559-621-8300, by emailing <u>HCDD@fresno.gov</u>, 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.