

ANOKA COUNTY HRA NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT AND HEARING DATE

This notice is to announce that February 21, 2025, is the beginning of a thirty-day (30) public comment and review period of the Anoka County Housing and Redevelopment Authority's section of the Dakota County Consortium's 2025-2029 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and 2025 program year Action Plan. The purpose of the public hearing and public comment period is to receive comments from and to pass information to the public concerning the proposed Anoka County housing and community development needs and priorities as stated in the 2025-2029 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and the objectives and projected use of program year 2025 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funds.

The Anoka County portion of the Consortium's 2025 Action Plan is a component of the 2025-2029 Five-year Consolidated Plan. The FY 2025 Annual Action Plan combines into a single submission the planning and application aspects as well as details of all proposed activities using funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) for Anoka County. Its purpose is to enable localities to examine their needs and design ways to address those needs that are appropriate to their circumstances. It is intended to (1) promote citizen participation and the development of local priority needs and objectives by providing comprehensive information on the jurisdiction that is easy to understand; (2) coordinate statutory paperwork and minimize the federal intrusion into state and local planning activities and to simplify the process of requesting and obtaining federal funds available on a formula basis; (3) promote the development of an action plan that provides the basis for assessing performance; and (4) encourage consultation with public and private agencies, including those outside a single jurisdiction to identify shared needs and solutions.

Summary of the proposed uses of the 2025 CDBG Program funds (funding is estimated based on 2024 CDBG funds received as HUD has not yet released actual 2025 PY funding allocation):

Administration and Planning: Anoka County -Administration \$314,571; and Anoka County -Fair Housing Activities \$9,000. **Projects:** Alexandra House, Inc -Install new fire sprinkler system \$330,000*; ASI Anoka County Inc – Rehab work at 3 single-family subsidized homes \$85,000*; Rise, Inc. -Remodel at Coon Rapids Rise facility \$216,600*. The asterisk (*) on each project indicates up to \$10,000 has been added for estimated Davis Bacon (DB) costs. Davis Bacon is a HUD labor requirement, and the County will pay Davis Bacon Consultant - MLK Consulting - for DB oversight. Anoka County Single-Family Home Rehabilitation program \$350,000; Anoka County Single-Family Home Rehabilitation Program Delivery Cost \$70,000 **-Public Service activities benefiting low to moderate-income people:** Alexandra House, Inc – 1 Shelter Advocate Position \$46,000; ACBC Food Shelf – Food Delivery to Seniors \$22,000; Cars for Neighbors -Vehicle Repair \$40,000; Elevate Hope House -Buy resident transition trailer \$16,000; Hearts and Hammers TC-Exterior Home Repairs \$10,000; Mediation & Restorative Services (MARS) -1 Housing Resource Navigator position \$46,000; The Dwelling Place -Salary/benefits for 1 Case Manager position \$47,678; The Salvation Army Food Shelf -for purchase of food \$15,000. Any increase or decrease in actual PY25 CDBG funds awarded will be directed within the CDBG allowable spending caps to AC Admin (20%), The Dwelling Place – Public Service activity (15%) with the remaining CDBG funds increase or decrease to the Anoka County Single Family Home Rehab Program Project.

Summary of the proposed uses of the 2025 HOME Program funds funding is estimated based on 2024 CDBG funds received as HUD has not yet released actual 2025 PY allocation):

Administration: Anoka County/Dakota County \$49,818; **Projects:** Sherman Associates Development LLC -Riverdale Station Phase IV Senior Housing \$750,000 of previously uncommitted HOME Rental Funds including PY23 \$61,768 and PY24 \$688,232; Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity -One Scattered

Site Acquisition \$150,000 of uncommitted HOME Homeowner Funds PY22 \$75,000 and PY23 \$75,000; unallocated CHDO funds \$88,146; and unallocated HOME funds \$276,732. Any increase or decrease in actual PY25 HOME funds awarded; \$150,000 will be directed for Homebuyer Activities and remaining PY25 HOME funds will be directed to HOME Rental Activities.

Notice is also hereby given that the Anoka County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (ACHRA) will meet on March 25, 2025, at 10:15 a.m. or immediately following the Anoka County Board of Commissioners Public Comment period, whichever is later, for its monthly ACHRA Board Meeting which will include a public hearing at the Anoka County Government Center, 2100 3rd Avenue, Room 705, Anoka, MN. The purpose of this public hearing is to offer the public an opportunity to comment on the 2025-2029 Five-year Consolidated Plan and PY 2025 Action Plan activities as noted above.

Persons seeking additional information on the 2025-2029 CON Plan or the 2025 Action Plan proposals or who want to submit written comments, or persons wanting to participate in the Public Hearing must contact Renee Sande at Anoka County, Community and Government Relations, 2100 3rd Avenue, Suite 700, Anoka, MN 55303. Telephone 763-324-4613; Fax: 763-324-5490 or email Renee.Sande@anokacountymn.gov prior to 4:00 p.m. on March 24, 2025. Proposed 2025 CDBG and HOME activities will be available for review on the Anoka County website www.anokacountymn.gov/cd . Upon request the 2025-2029 Five-Year Consolidated Plan and the 2025 Action Plan can be made available in an alternative format.

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