

**PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF O'FALLON
100 NORTH MAIN STREET
O'FALLON, MO 63366
636-379-5411**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS
September 17, 2018**

To All Interested Agencies, Groups and Persons:

On **October 2, 2018** (or one day after the end of the comment period, whichever is later), the City of O'Fallon will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (H.U.D.) for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake the following projects:

1. **Housing Programs**
 - a. **Home Improvement Loan (\$91,271.35)**: to provide up to a \$5,000 forgivable loan to a limited number of eligible low/moderate income households throughout O'Fallon to make improvements involving safety and code violations or accessibility issues. This activity is categorically excluded under H.U.D. regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements, subject to 24 CFR 58.5. After specific projects have been identified, project-specific Environmental Review Records (ERRs) that document the environmental determination for this activity will be on file at City Hall. If compliance actions are required, appropriate notices will be disseminated or published.
 - b. **Siding Program (\$90,000)**: to provide up to a \$10,000 grant to a limited number of eligible low/moderate income households throughout O'Fallon to repair and/or install new siding. This activity is categorically excluded under H.U.D. regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements, subject to 24 CFR 58.5. After specific projects have been identified, project-specific Environmental Review Records (ERRs) that document the environmental determination for this activity will be on file at City Hall. The Siding Program is a subset of the Home Improvement Loan Program, where a total funding amount of \$181,271.35 will be allocated in total to both programs.
2. **Senior Transportation Assistance (\$16,000)**: to Aging Ahead (formerly Mid East Area Agency on Aging) for one-half the salary of a Coordinator who will manage the volunteer transportation services for seniors from the Senior Center at 106 North Main Street in O'Fallon. This activity is Categorically Excluded under H.U.D. regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements, *not* subject to 24 CFR 58.5. The Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determination for this activity is on file at City Hall.
3. **Public Service Agency Assistance (\$20,831.85)**: to reimburse public service agencies who submit an application for the program, are accepted into the program, and then submit documentation of eligible expenditures that help residents prevent homelessness. This activity is Categorically Excluded under H.U.D. regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements, *not* subject to 24 CFR 58.5. After specific projects have been identified, a review of 24 CFR 58.6 will be completed and the records will be on file at City Hall.
4. **Disabled Transportation Assistance (\$5,000)**: to reimburse a public service agency who submit an application for the program, are accepted into the program, and then submit documentation of eligible expenditures that help residents who are disabled with transportation to medical and essential living appointments. This activity is Categorically Excluded under H.U.D. regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements, *not* subject to 24 CFR 58.5. After specific projects have been identified, a review of 24 CFR 58.6 will be completed and the records will be on file at City Hall.
5. **ADA Public Facility Assistance Program (\$20,000)**: Remove material and/or architectural barriers that restrict the mobility to accessibility of elderly or severely disabled persons to public facilities and improvements. This program will be funded with program income for our facility assistance program reimbursement.
6. **Program Administration (\$55,775.80)**: to provide for the salary, benefits, and training of the program administrator. This activity is Exempt under H.U.D. regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. The Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determination for this activity is on file at City Hall.

The Environmental Review Records (ERRs) that document these determinations are on file at City Hall, 100 North Main Street, O'Fallon, MO 63366. To schedule an appointment to examine them, please call the Public Assistance Specialist at 636-379-5411.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR/RROF to the CDBG Administrator, City Hall, 100 North Main Street, O'Fallon, MO 63366. All comments received by **October 2, 2018** (or the posting date plus ten days, whichever is later) will be considered by the City of O'Fallon prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of O'Fallon certifies to H.U.D. that Bill Hennessy in his capacity as Mayor 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 will be satisfied. H.U.D.'s approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of O'Fallon to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

H.U.D. will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of O'Fallon's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of O'Fallon; (b) the City of O'Fallon has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by H.U.D. regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by H.U.D.; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to:

Dee Ann Ducote
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Community Planning and Development Division
1222 Spruce Street, Room 3.207
St. Louis, MO 63103-2836.

Potential objectors should contact H.U.D. to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Bill Hennessy, Mayor
City of O'Fallon, Missouri