

Notice of Public Meeting for Discussion of Possible State CDBG Application

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Williams will conduct a public meeting on Monday, October 16, 2017 at 3:00p.m. at Williams City Hall located at 810 E Street, Williams, CA 95987. The purpose of the public meeting is to discuss possible applications for funding under the State 2017 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and to solicit citizen input on possible competitive and supplemental activities to be included in the application.

The Community Development and Economic Development Allocations of the State CDBG program will publish a combined "Notice of Funding Availability" (NOFA) each program year. Eligible cities and counties may submit applications for CDBG funds under the NOFA for a maximum per application request of \$ 5,000,000. It is estimated that the funding of the State 2017 CDBG program allocation is approximately \$46,646,000 in total. The Economic Development "Over-the-Counter" (OTC) Allocation requires a separate application with a maximum limit of \$3,000,000 per year. The NOFA also includes 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.

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES UNDER THE ABOVE ALLOCATIONS IN THE NOFA CONSIST OF: HOMEOWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE AND HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAMS; PUBLIC FACILITY AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS (INCLUDING PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN SUPPORT OF NEW HOUSING CONSTRUCTION); PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAMS, PLANNING STUDIES, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS ASSISTANCE AND MICROENTERPRISE ACTIVITIES. 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 –MODERATE INCOME HOUSEHOLDS OR PERSONS; ELIMINATION OF SLUMS AND BLIGHT; OR MEETING URGENT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEED.

The City of Williams anticipates submitting an application under the NOFA published during the next program year. The City of Williams has or anticipates receiving approximately \$200,000.00 in CDBG Program Income that must be expended prior to expending awarded grant funds.

The purpose of this public hearing is to give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known regarding what types of eligible activities the City of Williams should apply for under the State CDBG program. A separate public hearing will be held to discuss and approve the application prior to submittal to the State.

If you require special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, please contact Rex Greenbaum at (530) 473-2955 ext. 102.

If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the City of Williams, Attn: Rex Greenbaum, P.O. Box 310, Williams, CA 95987, or you may telephone (530) 473-2955 ext. 102. In addition, information is available for review at the above address between the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday-Friday.

The City of Williams 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.