U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

WASHINGTON, DC 20410-7000



May 13, 2022

The Honorable Steve Nelsen Mayor of Visalia Visalia 220 N Santa Fe Street Visalia, CA 93292 - 5045

Dear The Honorable Mayor Nelsen:

I am pleased to inform you of a reallocation to your jurisdiction of Community Development Block Grant funds made available to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus (CDBG-CV) in the amount of \$291,599. This reallocation is authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, enacted March 27, 2020, to respond to the growing effects of this historic public health crisis.

The CARES Act made available \$5 billion in CDBG-CV funds. These funds were fully allocated to grantees in three rounds. However, some grantees did not apply for one or more allocation rounds by the August 16, 2021, deadline, or otherwise declined their awards. The remaining \$3,069,687 of CDBG-CV funds are now reallocated to those grantees that have demonstrated capacity to quickly expend CDBG-CV funds. The grantees eligible for this reallocation are limited to those that expended 99 percent or more of their CDBG-CV funds by January 4, 2022.

To accept this reallocation of \$291,599, please amend the Consolidated Plan containing CDBG-CV funds to include this reallocation amount and submit to HUD for review. Remember that your citizen participation plan must describe the criteria for an amendment to be considered substantial and that all substantial amendments are subject to the public comment and consultation requirements found in 24 CFR Part 91 before they may be submitted to HUD. Pursuant to the CARES Act, the public comment period for CDBG-CV funds is reduced to not less than five days. Upon acceptance of your Consolidated Plan amendment by HUD, the field office will amend your CDBG-CV grant agreement to include the reallocation amount. Please be aware that the amended grant agreement must be fully executed and submitted to HUD's Fort Worth Accounting Center by **September 23, 2022**. After that date, these funds will no longer be available to HUD for obligation or award.

This reallocation is part of the CDBG-CV grant and subject to the requirements of the CARES Act and the *Notice of Program Rules, Waivers, and Alternative Requirements Under the CARES Act for Community Development Block Grant Program Coronavirus Response Grants, Fiscal Year 2019 and 2020 Community Development Block Grants, and for Other Formula Programs* [84 FR 51457]. These requirements include oversight, reporting, and the requirement that each grantee have adequate procedures to prevent the duplication of benefits (DOB). HUD has provided guidance and technical assistance on DOB the prevention of fraud, waste, and abuse, and on documenting the impact of this program for beneficiaries.

The Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD) is looking forward to working with you to successfully meet the urgent and complex challenges faced by our communities. If you or any member of your staff has questions, please contact your local CPD Field Office Director.

Sincerely,

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Acting General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development