

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS
FOR TIERED PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

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City of Tempe (RE)
Community Health and Human Services Department
Housing Services Division
3500 S. Rural Road, Ste. 202
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On or about January 26, 2026, **the** City of Tempe **will submit a request to the** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Community Planning Division (CPD) **for the release of** Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) **funds under** Title I **of the** Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383), the National Affordable Housing Act, as amended, **to undertake the following project:**

Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: Homeowner Rehabilitation Programs

Purpose: The City of Tempe seeks to administer Housing Rehabilitation Programs. A portion of each annual CDBG budget will be used to administer the Housing Rehabilitation Programs. The objective of the program is to provide housing repair assistance to low- to moderate-income homeowners who utilize the property as their primary residence. The Housing Rehabilitation Programs will support safe, stable housing and preserve and sustain the current affordable housing stock within the community

Location: Corporate City Limits of the City of Tempe, AZ

Project/Program Description: The City proposes to allocate approximately \$3,125,775.64 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds over a five-year period (PY 2025–2029) to support Housing Rehabilitation Programs for income-eligible owner-occupied households. The program will provide financial assistance of up to \$100,000 per home for eligible rehabilitation activities to correct serious health and safety deficiencies, in accordance with 24 CFR 570.202. Assistance may be provided in the form of grants and/or loans.

This Broad-Level Tier I review covers five years and cannot be used for projects that do not meet 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(3)(i), where residential use contains more than four units, density is increased, or land use is changed. As individual sites are identified, a Site-Specific or Tier II review will be conducted to evaluate the Related Laws and Authorities that could not be brought into compliance on the broad level.

Tier 2 site specific reviews will be completed for those laws and authorities not addressed in the tier 1 broad review for each address under this program when addresses become known.

Level of Environmental Review Citation: Categorically Excluded per 24 CFR 58.35(a), and subject to laws and authorities at 24 CFR 58.5: 58.35(a)(3)

Tier 2 Site Specific Review: The site-specific reviews will cover the following laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier 1 broad review and Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any):

- Airport Hazard

- Flood Insurance
- Contamination – Toxics
- Floodplain Management
- Historic Preservation
- Noise
- Wetlands
- Environmental Justice

This project may remain CEST.

Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any): *There are no extraordinary circumstances which would require completion of an EA, and this project must remain CEST.*

Estimated Project Cost: CDBG Funding \$3,125,775.64

The activity/activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements per Categorically Excluded per 24 CFR 58.35(a), and subject to laws and authorities at §58.5: 58.35(a)(3). **An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at:** City of Tempe, Community Health and Human Services (CHHS) Department’s Housing Services Division (HSD), 3500 S. Rural Road, Ste. 202, Tempe, AZ 85282 **and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. and 1:00 P.M to 5:00 P.M.** or if the review was completed in HEROS at: <https://cpd.hud.gov/cpd-public/environmental-reviews>.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Tempe, CHHS-HSD, 3500 S. Rural Road, Ste. 202, Tempe, AZ 85282 or at CDBGprograms@tempe.gov. All comments received by December 19, 2025, will be considered by the City of Tempe prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Tempe certifies to HUD that Dennis Newburn, Certifying Officer, in capacity as Housing Services Manager 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 have been satisfied. HUD’s approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Tempe to use HUD program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Tempe’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 Tempe; (b) the RE has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD 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 HUD; 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 the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Region IX at One Sansome Street, Suite 1200, San Francisco, CA 94104. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Dennis Newburn, Housing Services Manager, **Certifying Officer**

