

Date: March 8, 2024

To: Thomas B. Modica, City Manager 

From: Christopher Koontz, Director of Community Development 

For: Mayor and Members of the City Council

Subject: **Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Action Plan Outreach and 2024 Community Development Week (April 1-6) for U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Funds**

The City of Long Beach (City) is an entitlement jurisdiction for U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership Program, and Emergency Solutions Grant funds. Locally, these federal dollars fund transformative work in disadvantaged communities to upgrade infrastructure, assist residents and small businesses, and create new housing opportunities across Long Beach.

In particular, the CDBG program is vital in the effort to create more resilient communities across the United States. Nearly 1,250 state and local governments receive annual CDBG allocations to support acquisition of land for affordable housing, single-family housing rehabilitation programs, public infrastructure projects, small business assistance, rental housing assistance, and a broad range of public service programming.

Part of the requirements to receive this federal funding include the annual preparation of an Action Plan. For the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 Action Plan, City staff are implementing a community engagement strategy that entails two public hearings, a multilingual survey available online and in hard copy (Attachment), and in-person presentations and outreach at several community events in CDBG-eligible areas. Additionally, there will be opportunities to provide input on the FY 24-25 Action Plan and learn more about HUD-funded programs through the 2024 Community Development Week.

National Community Development Week celebrates the 50th anniversary of the CDBG program. To celebrate the impact of CDBG over the past 50 years, the City will showcase its local programming through a social media campaign, various informative workshops, and, as mentioned above, input opportunities for the FY 24-25 Action Plan. Below is the schedule of events for the 2024 Community Development Week:

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Event Title	Date	Time	Location
How to Navigate Affordable Housing Workshop (Virtual)	Monday, April 1, 2024	6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.	Join online Join by phone: 213.338.8477 Meeting ID: 959 3769 5937
First Time Homebuyer Community Workshop (In-Person)	Tuesday, April 2, 2024	4:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.	Mark Twain Neighborhood Library 1401 E. Anaheim Street Long Beach, CA 90813
Fair Housing 101 Workshop (In-Person)	Wednesday, April 3, 2024	3:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.	City Hall 411 W. Ocean Boulevard 2 nd Floor, “The Beach” Conference Room, Long Beach, CA 90802
FY 24-25 Action Plan Community Meeting (Virtual)	Thursday, April 4, 2024	6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.	Join online Join by phone: 213.338.8477 Meeting ID: 985 3302 7669
FY 24-25 Action Plan Community Meeting (In-Person)	Saturday, April 6, 2024	10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	Admiral Kidd Park Community Center 2125 Santa Fe Avenue Long Beach, CA 90810

To commemorate the 2024 Community Development Week, the Community Development Department will request a presentation and proclamation at the April 2, 2024, City Council meeting. Community Development Week is an opportunity for Long Beach to celebrate the many accomplishments that come out of our CDBG work and the dedicated staff that makes those programs and investments possible.

For more information, please contact Meggan Sorensen, at Meggan.Sorensen@longbeach.gov or (562) 570-5269.

ATTACHMENT

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City of Long Beach 2024-2025 Action Plan Community Survey

1. **What is your zip code?** _____

2. **Choose the Consolidated Plan Goal most important to you (select one).**

- Assist in the Creation and Preservation of Affordable Housing for Lower-Income and Special Needs Households
- Support Activities to End Homelessness
- Support Activities that Assist with Basic Needs, Eliminate Blight, and/or Strengthen Neighborhoods
- Expand Economic Opportunities for Low-Income Households
- Promote Fair Housing Choice

3. **How important are the following programs to you to address housing and community development needs?**

Name of Program	Not Very Important	Somewhat Important	Very Important
More Affordable Housing Production - Acquisition, New Construction and Rehabilitation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
After School and Weekend Recreation Youth Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Code Enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Emergency Shelter (Homelessness)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fair Housing Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Graffiti Prevention Program (Mural Restoration)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Graffiti Removal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home Improvement Roof Grant Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Neighborhood Leadership Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Neighborhood Resource Center	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rapid Rehousing (Homelessness)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rental Assistance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Security Deposit Assistance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senior Services (Meals on Wheels)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sidewalk Improvement Projects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business Technical Assistance (Small Business Development Center)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

To learn more about Housing and Urban Development Grant programs and services, visit longbeach.gov/hudgrants. For assistance or questions about this survey, contact Housing and Neighborhood Services at 562.570.6949.



To request this information in an alternative format or to request a reasonable accommodation, please contact the Community Development Department at longbeach.gov/lbcd and 562.570.3807. A minimum of three business days is requested to ensure availability; attempts will be made to accommodate requests with shorter notice.