

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

June 14, 2023

City of Dearborn
16901 Michigan Avenue, Dearborn, MI 48126
Contact Information: (313) 943-4150

On or about **July 1, 2023** the **City of Dearborn** will submit a request to the **U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development – (HUD) Detroit Field Office** for the release of Federal Community Development Block Grant funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake the following projects known as **City of Dearborn 49th Year CDBG Projects** for the purposes of conducting public facilities and improvements in community parks, rehabilitation of publicly or privately-owned commercial/industrial buildings, and single-family owner-occupied housing rehabilitation (project names, locations, and contact info listed below):

| ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION | BUDGET AMOUNT |
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| WYOMING-GOULD PARK PROJECT: Dearborn Recreation & Parks Department will utilize the funds for the replacement of a new playground, small soccer field, new fencing, and other amenities desired by residents of the Wyoming-Indiana-Kentucky neighborhood. Wyoming-Gould Park has not seen any improvements in the past 25+ years. For more info contact 313-943-2355. | \$252,000 |
| WARREN AVE & DIX-VERNOR FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS: Funds will be utilized to install streetscape amenities and provide targeted assistance for improving the appearance and structural conditions of building facades in the Warren Ave. and Dix-Vernor business corridors. Synchronize design and planning efforts with Wayne County, Detroit, and DPW on streetscape. For more info contact 313-407-9369. Unexpended Prior Year CDBG Funds \$600,000 | \$700,000 |
| LAHC COMMUNITY HEALTH, WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT HUB: LAHC is requesting funds to assist with the rehabilitation and redevelopment of their current building into of a health, workforce development, and training hub. The hub will enable LAHC to expand on current successful programming (e.g., Cooking with Kids, FEAST, and other evidenced-based education programs that benefit from hands-on cooking demonstrations). The hub will also establish a new workforce development track around the culinary sector and serve as a community food pantry. For more info contact 313-960-4007 | \$200,000 |
| HOME REHABILITATION PROGRAM: City-wide. Funds for the continuance of the City's Emergency Minor Home Repair Program which provide up to \$11,500 toward eligible emergency home repairs to include roofs, electrical, plumbing, furnace, and other eligible repairs. Program administered by the Community Development Division. Package includes deferred loans for single-unit owner-occupied homes. For more info contact 313- 943-3068. | \$175,000 |
| CDBG-CV CARES ACT FUNDING: | |
| WARREN AVE. AND DIX VERNOR BUSINESS CORRIDOR INTERIOR UPGRADE RENNOVATION PROJECTS: Funds will be utilized to provide specific interior upgrades in the Warren Ave. and Dix Vernor business corridors that will tie back to prevention, preparation for, and response to the coronavirus. The interior upgrades would include installation of a HEPA filtration system, HVAC upgrades, and expansion of outdoor seating. For more info contact 313-407-9369 | \$409,000 |

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act requirements. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the Dearborn Economic Development Department, 16901 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, MI 48126 and may be examined or copied weekdays 10a.m. to 3p.m. or online at <https://cityofdearborn.org/government/departments/economic-development>.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Dearborn Economic Development Department, 16901 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, MI 48126 or email your comments to ajamil@dearborn.gov. All comments received by **June 30, 2023** will be considered by the City of Dearborn prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Dearborn certifies to U.S Department of HUD that **Abdullah H. Hammoud** 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 have been satisfied. U.S Department of HUD-Detroit Field Office's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the City of Dearborn to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

U.S Department of HUD-Detroit Field Office will consider objections to its release of funds and the City of Dearborn certification received by **July 17, 2023** or for a period of fifteen days following 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 Dearborn; (b) the City of Dearborn 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 project have committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by the U.S Department of HUD-Detroit Field Office; 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) and shall be addressed to **U. S. Department of HUD –Detroit Field Office, Keith E. Hernandez, Director of Community Planning and Development at DetroitCPD@hud.gov**. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

**Abdullah H. Hammoud, Mayor
City of Dearborn**

Individuals with disabilities, who require special accommodation, auxiliary aids or services in order to respond to this notice, should contact ajamil@dearborn.gov.