



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: John Kopchik, Director, Conservation & Development Department
Date: November 9, 2021

Subject: Authorization for the Department of Conservation and Development to Execute a HOME - American Rescue Plan Grant Agreement for \$12,090,215

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Conservation and Development Director, or designee, to execute, on behalf of the County, a HOME – American Rescue Plan Grant Agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to receive \$12,090,215 to provide housing-related services.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No net General Fund impact. \$12,090,215 HOME - American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) funding (100% American Rescue Plan). No County match is required.

BACKGROUND:

The HOME Investment Partnerships Program is federal funding for affordable housing, for which the County receives an annual allocation from HUD. The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 appropriated \$5 billion to provide housing, services, and shelter to individuals experiencing homelessness and other vulnerable populations as supplemental HOME funding, referred to as HOME-ARP. HUD has allocated \$12,090,215 to the County for HOME-ARP based on the existing HOME formula, and requested execution of a Grant Agreement as soon as possible. Execution of the HOME-ARP Grant Agreement allows the

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **11/09/2021** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: November 9, 2021

Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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County to use up to five percent (\$604,510) of its total HOME-ARP award for administrative and planning

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

costs. Transmittal of the HOME-ARP Grant Agreement does not constitute approval of any activities that will be described in a HOME-ARP Allocation Plan. The eligible activities countywide include the following:

1. Preservation and production of affordable rental housing
2. Tenant-based rental assistance
3. Housing-related supportive services
4. Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelters
5. Administration and planning costs

The next administrative step, after execution of the HOME-ARP Grant Agreement, is to conduct the consultations required at a minimum by HUD. Consultations will include the local Continuum of Care, local Public Housing Authorities, other public agencies, veterans groups, homeless service providers, domestic violence service providers, fair housing service providers, civil rights organizations, and organizations serving persons living with disabilities. HUD requires the County to submit a HOME-ARP Allocation Plan or a Substantial Amendment to the FY 2021/22 CDBG/HOME Action Plan to allocate the HOME-ARP funds to specific activities. HUD has waived its 30-day comment period requirements for the Allocation Plan to allow jurisdictions to allocate the funds in a timely manner. The comment period must be no less than a 15-day comment period. The HOME-ARP Allocation Plan will be brought before the Board of Supervisors for approval at a later date, likely sometime in 2022. Once the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan is approved by HUD, the full allocation of \$12,090,215 will be made available.

The HOME-ARP letter dated September 22, 2021, from HUD as well as the form of the HOME-ARP Grant Agreement are attached for reference.

ATTACHMENTS

Contra Costa HOME-ARP Letter

Contra Costa HOME-ARP Grant Agreement