



CITY OF FORT BRAGG

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Fort Bragg will conduct a public hearing on **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2015**, at **4:00 p.m.** in the City Hall (downstairs) Conference Room at 416 North Franklin Street, Fort Bragg, California, 95437. The purpose of the public hearing is to discuss future applications for funding under the State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and to solicit citizen input on possible activities to be included in future CDBG applications.

The Community Development and Economic Development Allocations of the State CDBG program will publish a combined "Notice of Funding Availability" (NOFA) each program year. Eligible cities and counties may submit applications for CDBG funds under the NOFA. The City of Fort Bragg expects to be eligible for a 2016 application under the combined NOFA. In 2015, up to \$2,000,000 was available in total per jurisdiction. Amounts to be made available under future NOFAs are not certain. The combined NOFA also includes the Native American and Colonia's Allocations. The Native American Allocation is only for areas with high concentrations of low-income Native American residents who are not part of a federally-recognized Native American Indian tribe or Rancheria. The Colonia's funding is only for designated communities within 150 miles of the Mexican-American border. The Economic Development "Over-the-Counter" (OTC) Allocation requires a separate application with a minimum of \$300,000 and a maximum limit of \$5,000,000 per jurisdiction per year.

Eligible activities under the combined NOFA are expected to consist of:

- Homeownership Assistance and Housing Rehabilitation Programs
- Multi-Family Housing Projects including facility acquisition and/or rehabilitation; or acquisition of real property for this purpose;
- Public Facility and Public Improvements Projects (including Public Improvements in Support of New Housing Construction);
- Public Service Programs;
- Planning Studies
- Economic Development Business Assistance and Microenterprise Activities.

Eligible activities paid for with State CDBG funds must meet one or more of the three National Objectives listed in CDBG Federal Statutes as follows: benefit to low income households or persons; elimination of slums and blight; or meeting urgent community development need.

The purpose of the public hearing is to give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known regarding what types of eligible activities the City of Fort Bragg should apply for under the State CDBG program. After the Design Phase is completed, a separate public hearing will be held for the purpose of public disclosure and for City Council discussion and approval of the application prior to submittal to the State.

