

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

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**City of Detroit, Housing and Revitalization**  
**Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, 2 Woodward Ave., Suite 908**  
**Detroit, Michigan 48226**  
**Environmental Review Officers Telephone: (313) 224-2933**

On or after November 15, 2024, the City of Detroit will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-383), to undertake the following project:

**Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title:** Senior Emergency Home Repair 2024

**Purpose:** The purpose is to provide CDBG funding for emergency repairs to properties to low-income seniors in the City of Detroit.

**Location:** Throughout the City of Detroit

**Project/Program Description:** The City of Detroit utilizes CDBG funds to reimburse eligible costs associated with the repair, renovation, or rehabilitation of residential structures within the City of Detroit. Targeted residential structures shall meet the following criteria: 1.) contain one to four dwelling units, 2.) be current on local property taxes, 3.) need structurally- and financially-feasible repairs, renovations, or rehabilitation 4.) be owned and occupied by a person or persons who meet(s) eligibility requirements based upon total household income, or other factors, as established by HUD. Specifically, these funds will address emergency repairs in properties owned by Detroiters aged 62+ or 55+ receiving SSI/SSD. 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:** 24 CFR Part 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: Flood Insurance, Coastal Zone Management Act, Contamination and Toxic Substances, Floodplain Management, Historic Preservation, and Environmental Justice.

**Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any):** Should individual aggregate projects exceed the threshold for categorical exclusion detailed at §58.35(a) in their Tier II review, an Environmental Assessment will be completed and a separate Finding of No Significant Impact and Request for Release of Funds published.

**Estimated Project Cost:** \$4,000,000 CDBG 2024

The activity/activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements per 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(3). An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the City of Detroit Housing and Revitalization Department at the Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, 2 Woodward Ave., Suite 908, Detroit, Michigan 48226, and may be examined or copied weekdays 10 A.M to 4 P.M. with an appointment, or at

<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review/environmental-review-records/>. The ERR is also located on the City of Detroit's Housing and Revitalization Department Website's Public Notice section: <https://detroitmi.gov/departments/housing-and-revitalization-department/public-notice>.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Penny Dwoinen, the City of Detroit Environmental Review Officer, at telephone: 313.224.2933 or e-mail: [dwoinenp@detroitmi.gov](mailto:dwoinenp@detroitmi.gov). All comments received by November 14, 2024 will be considered by the City of Detroit prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The City of Detroit certifies to HUD that Ms. Julie Schneider, Certifying Officer, in her capacity as Certifying Officer 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 Detroit to use HUD program funds.

## **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the *City of Detroit'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 Detroit*; (b) the *City of Detroit* 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 –Detroit Field Office, Keith E. Hernandez, Director, Community Planning and Development at 477 Michigan Ave, Suite 1600, Detroit, MI 48226 or [DetroitCPD@hud.gov](mailto:DetroitCPD@hud.gov). Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Ms. Julie Schneider, Director, Housing and Revitalization Department, City of Detroit, Certifying Officer