

**ANNUAL ACTION PLAN SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT
For
County of Santa Barbara**

**HOME Investment Partnerships Program
Fiscal Years 2022-2023**

Introduction

The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides an annual allocation of HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program to the County of Santa Barbara (County) HOME Consortium. The County Community Services Department (CSD) is the lead entity for the HOME Consortium, which includes the County and the cities of Buellton, Carpinteria, Lompoc, Solvang, and Santa Maria.

Each year, a draft Action Plan that contains the proposed uses of HOME available to the public for input for a period of thirty (30) days prior to the public hearing in which the County Board of Supervisors (Board) awards the funds. Likewise, substantial amendments made to prior year Action Plans must undergo a public comment period and public hearing.

A public notice was published in local newspapers and at the offices of the County in Santa Barbara, Lompoc, and Santa Maria thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled public hearing of the Board. This substantial Action Plan amendment is available for public review on the County's website.

The public may provide comments on this substantial Action Plan amendment in writing at any time during the thirty (30) day public notice period prior to the Board hearing (please see contact information below). The public also is invited to attend the public hearing to address the Board directly. The Board will consider all public comments and take action on CSD staff recommendations to approve the substantial Action Plan amendments.

Amendment to FY 2022-2023 HOME Investment Partnerships Program

The Action Plan for FY 2022-2023 is being amended to award \$150,000 in uncommitted HOME funds to a Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) program, in which the City of Santa Maria will provide security deposit payments on behalf of tenants in order to assist low-income households to secure decent, safe, and sanitary housing in the City of Santa Maria and the unincorporated communities of Orcutt and Tanglewood.

Public comments may be submitted prior to or heard at the Board of March 21, 2023 hearing at 9:00am at 105 E Anapamu St, 4th Floor, Santa Barbara, CA when the Action Plan Amendment will be considered for approval. The Amendment being considered meets the County's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan priorities, and one or more of HUD's National Objectives. The hearing also may be observed, and public comments will be heard, at the Board of Supervisors' hearing room

at the Santa Barbara Government Administration Building, 511 East Lakeside Parkway, Santa Maria.

Written comments may be mailed or delivered to the Division of Housing and Community Development, 123 E. Anapamu St, Suite 217, Santa Barbara, or sent via facsimile at (805) 560-1091, or e-mailed to HCD@co.santa-barbara.ca.us by the deadline posted in the public notice.

In accordance with the County's Citizen Participation Plan, this Substantial Action Plan amendment is being made available for a 30-day public comment period which began on February 5, 2023 and concludes at the public hearing for this amendment on March 21, 2023.

Public Comments

Comments received will be added here.