## NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

(Older Adults Home Modification Program - OAHMP)

October 30, 2025

**Alameda County Community Development Agency Healthy Homes Department** 

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Oakland, CA 94606

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On or about November 6, 2025, the Alameda County Community Development Agency Healthy Homes Department will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Older Adults Home Modification Program funds, which is authorized under Title IV, Section 401(c) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, as amended (42 U.S.C. 12871 et seq.).

The proposed project is the Older Adults Home Modification Program, which provides low-cost, high-impact safety and functional home modifications to the primary residences of low-income elderly homeowners (62 years or older) in Alameda County to reduce their risk of falling and improve their ability to age in place. The scope of work is limited to minor repairs and modifications, such as grab bars, handrails, ramps, and non-slip flooring. The Alameda County Community Development Agency Healthy Homes Department is requesting the release of \$2,000,000 in OAHMP grant funds (HUD Grant No CALHM0049-24). This activity is classified as Categorically Excluded from the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58.35(a), as it involves minor rehabilitation of residential properties with no change in use or density.

An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project, and more fully describes the tiered review process cited above, is on file at the Alameda County Healthy Homes Department, 2000 Embarcadero #300, Oakland or at https://cpd.hud.gov/cpd-public/environmental-reviews or http://achhd.acgov.org/review.htm or an electronic copy can be requested by e-mail to healthyhomesadmin@acgov.org and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Alameda County Community Development Agency Healthy Homes Department. All comments received by November 5, 2025, will be considered by the Alameda County Community Development Agency Healthy Homes Department prior to authorizing submission of a Request for Release of Funds and Environmental Certification to HUD.

## RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Alameda County Community Development Agency Healthy Homes Department certifies to HUD that April Williamson in her official capacity as Department Director 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 Alameda County Community Development Agency Healthy Homes Department to utilize federal funds and implement the Program.

## **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE FUNDS**

HUD will consider objections to the release of funds and the Alameda County Community Development Agency Healthy Homes Department certification for a period of fifteen days following either the anticipated submission date (cited above) or HUD's actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if the objections are on one of the following bases: (a) that the Certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Alameda County Community Development Agency Healthy Homes Department; (b) the Alameda County Community Development Agency Healthy Homes Department has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; (c) the Alameda County Community Development Agency Healthy Homes Department has omitted steps or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; 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 may be addressed to HUD and sent via the email address to:

David E. Robbins Program Environmental Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Email: David.E.Robbins@hud.gov Potential objectors may contact HUD directly to verify the actual last day of the objection/comment period.

April Williamson, Department Director, Alameda County Community Development Agency