County of Monterey 1441 Schilling Place Salinas, CA 93901



## **Meeting Agenda - Final**

**Special Meeting** 

Monday, December 8, 2025 9:30 AM

1441 Schilling Place, 2nd Floor, Salinas, CA 93901 Thyme Room

**Urban County Standing Committee** 

Supervisor Askew will appear by video conference on this date at: 2616 1st Avenue, Marina. Consistent with Government Code Section 54953, an agenda will be posted at this location, and it will be accessible by the public.

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## 9:30 A.M. Call to Order

## **ROLL CALL**

Supervisor Glenn Church Supervisor Wendy Root Askew

## AGENDA, ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, AND CORRECTIONS

## PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Committee on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Committee.

## **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**1.** Approval of the October 29, 2025 Draft Urban County Standing Committee Minutes.

25-893

**Attachments:** Staff Report

Draft Urban County Standing Committee Special Meeting Minutes

<u>- 10.29.25</u>

## **SCHEDULED MATTERS**

 a. Receive a presentation on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Act (HOME) funding to address slum and blight removal and services for the unhoused; and,
 b. Provide direction to staff. 25-894

**Attachments:** Staff Report

Attachment A - Cross Jurisdictional Use Examples

Attachment B - CDBG Blight Definition HUD Guidance

Performance Requirements

Attachment C - County Owned Property with Deferred

Maintenance

Attachment D - CDBG & HOME Funding for Homeless Activities

3. a. Receive a presentation on the Urban County's application and application rating and ranking process for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Act (HOME) funding applications; and, b. Provide direction to staff. 25-895

**Attachments:** Staff Report

Attachment A - Application Guide FY2026-27

Attachment B - Rating Ranking Criteria

Attachment C - Presentation

## **DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

## **ADJOURNMENT**



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## **Meeting Minutes - Draft**

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**Urban County Standing Committee** 

## 10:00 A.M. CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Wendy Root Askew called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Supervisor Wendy Root Askew, present by Zoom Supervisor Glenn Church, present in person

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There was no public comment.

## AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, AND CORRECTIONS

There were no agenda additions, deletions and corrections to the agenda.

## **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of the June 27, 2025 Urban County Standing Committee Draft Minutes

Action: The Draft Action Minutes of June 27, 2025 were approved as submitted. Supervisor Church and Supervisor Root Askew each separately stated their approval. Seeing no public comment, Supervisor Root Askew stated that the minutes were approved by consensus.

**AYES: Supervisor Church, Supervisor Root Askew** 

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None Motion Passed 2-0

**Public Comment: None** 

## **SCHEDULED MATTERS**

- a. Receive a report regarding County allocations for HOME Investment Partnership Program funds of \$500,000 for the Amended County Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership Act 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2025-26; b. Support to authorize and direct the Auditor-Controller to amend the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Adopted Budget for the Housing and Community Development, Community Development Reuse, Fund 013, Unit 8545, Appropriation Unit HCD004 to increase revenues and appropriations by \$403,480;
  - c. Approve HOME Investment Partnership Program funding recommendations to be included in the Draft Amended Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership Act 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2025-26;
  - d. Approve an overall plan for the Amended Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership Act 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan; and
  - e. Direct staff to prepare Amended Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership Act 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2025-26 for

consideration by the Board of Supervisors on November 4, 2025, as required by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations.

Action: Recommend using the \$500,000 allocation for Fiscal year 2025-26 for tenant-based assistance and or security deposits, 75% to Housing Rehabilitation and 25% to Tenant Based Rental Assistance. Supervisor Church and Supervisor Root Askew each separately stated their approval. Seeing no public comment, Supervisor Root Askew state that the recommendation was approved by consensus.

**AYES: Supervisor Church, Supervisor Root Askew** 

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None Motion Passed 2-0

**Public Comment: None** 

## **DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

Darby Marshall gave an update on the Home Program.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Supervisor Root Askew moved to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 11:39 a.m.



## Item No.2

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#### SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Board of Supervisors Urban County Committee has requested staff provide additional information on:

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- Which County owned properties might qualify for CDBG funding to address blight. (Attachment B)
- Details on the definition of homelessness and eligibility for county-wide homeless services that qualify for CDBG funding. (Attachment C)

This memorandum and its attachments respond these questions.

### Cross Jurisdictional Use of CDBG and HOME Funds

Before we respond directly to the Committee's request, it is important to understand a foundational element of the CDBG and HOME Investment Partnership Act that controls the geographic area where the funds awarded to the County maybe invested. Both the CDBG and HOME programs allow cross jurisdictional activities - meaning program funds can be used outside a grantee's boundaries if the activity clearly benefits residents within the grantee's jurisdiction and complies with all other program rules. Most commonly these include establishing regional affordable housing development consortia to fund multifamily rental and single-family housing projects, homeless facilities and services, and infrastructure or public facility projects serving multiple jurisdictions.

The expectation is that these funds will be invested in the jurisdiction receiving the funds and primarily benefit residents of that jurisdiction. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has broadly interpreted this to mean that entitlement and state-program eligible

cities within an Urban County are outside the Urban County boundaries. This requirement can make it very challenging to implement projects in areas not under the direct jurisdiction of the grant recipient, including County owned properties located within entitlement cities.

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Attachment A provides activities using cross-jurisdictional funding and the eligibility conditions typically required to justify the use.

#### **Best Practices**

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- Maintain a joint monitoring schedule for activities spanning multiple jurisdictions.
- Establish clear written agreements defining roles, responsibilities, and benefit documentation methods.

#### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/COMMITTEE ACTIONS:

None.

#### HOUSING IMPACTS:

Reduces constraints on Housing Development
Increases constraints on Housing Development
_ <u>X_</u> Neutral
Not applicable [N/A]

There are no direct impacts on the supply or affordability of housing. Programs may address habitability or affordability for a small number of individual homeowners but not have widespread benefits.

#### FINANCING:

There is no impact on the General Fund. CDBG and HOME are awarded to the County annually by the HUD. CDBG funds are included in Fund 013, Budget Unit 8546. HOME funds are included in Fund 013, Budget Unit 8545.

#### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS:

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public services, typically address the Board's commitment to improving the well-being and quality of life for lower-income residents.

- X Well-Being and Quality of Life
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Prepared by: Darby Marshall, Housing Program Manager, x5391

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## Attachment A

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## Attachment A Cross-Jurisdictional Use

The following table provides examples of four types of activities that often take advantage of cross jurisdictional fund, and the eligibility requirements that must be documented to justify cross jurisdictional use of grant funds.

Activity Type	Example of Cross-Jurisdictional Use	Eligibility Conditions
Housing	Constructing new multifamily housing complex.	Must provide affordable housing that will serve residents of all participating jurisdictions.
Public Facility	Funding a homeless shelter in a nearby city used by residents of the grantee jurisdiction	Must show proportionate use by grantee residents
Infrastructure	Extending water or sewer lines to a shared system crossing boundaries	Documented local benefit and compliance with environmental review
Public Services	Operating a regional job training center	Benefit must be primarily to LMI residents of the grantee area

In the past, Monterey County has successfully used CDBG funding to support a variety of programs that were either located within an entitlement city or had a regional benefit. The following table shows projects where the County has used or attempted to use CDBG funding that required meeting cross-jurisdictional tests.

	Use	
<u>Project</u>	Allowed	HUD Rational for Allowing or Disallowing Use
Monterey Courthouse ADA	Yes	Proportional test benefit not required because facility is required to be used by all residents of the County doing business with the Superior Court located within the City of Monterey.
Rancho Cielo	Yes	Proportional test benefit met by requiring Rancho Cielo to set aside minimum number of beds for youth from Urban County.
		These beds have subsequently been leased for use as employer sponsored housing by agricultural labor contractors.
Salvation Army Good Samaritan Center	No	Proportional benefit test not met. HUD determined that based on Sand City population and Point in Time Count, most beneficiaries would be from cities of Monterey and Seaside.
Schilling Place ADA	Yes	Proportional benefit test met because all residents of unincorporated area because County Housing and Community Development and Public Works departments are housed in facility coincidentally located in Salinas.
Sun Rose Apartments	Yes	Tenant referral by County behavioral health without regard to location of last residence.
Veterans Transition Center	Yes	HUD has allowed CDBG collaboration with the cities of Monterey and Seaside to fund a variety of housing and improvement projects at VTC because of the nature of the services they provide, and the population served. HUD has not required the City of Salinas to participate in these projects.

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## Attachment B

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## **CDBG Blight Definition, HUD Guidance, and Performance Requirements**

This memorandum provides a consolidated overview of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) guidance, statutory and regulatory definitions, and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) performance requirements related to the elimination and prevention of blight. It incorporates relevant provisions under 24 CFR 570.208(b) and HUD's Guide to National Objectives and Eligible Activities for Entitlement Communities.

## I. Regulatory Authority and National Objective

CDBG-assisted activities that address slum and blight conditions must meet the national objective of preventing or eliminating slums or blight, as described in 24 CFR 570.208(b). These activities may be carried out on an area basis, a spot basis, or as part of an urban renewal project.

Basis Area Basis	<ul> <li>Key Requirements</li> <li>Area officially designated as slum/blighted under state or local law.</li> <li>Substantial number of deteriorated or deteriorating buildings or public improvements.</li> <li>Activity must address one or more conditions contributing to blight.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Examples of Eligible Activities</li> <li>Rehabilitation of multiple structures within a designated area.</li> <li>Infrastructure improvements such as sidewalks, lighting, or drainage.</li> </ul>
Spot Basis	<ul> <li>Addresses specific blighting influences not in a designated area.</li> <li>Each activity must eliminate a condition of blight or decay.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Demolition of unsafe or abandoned structures.</li> <li>Historic preservation of deteriorated buildings.</li> <li>Clearance of hazards or health/safety threats.</li> </ul>
Urban Renewal	<ul> <li>Conducted under Title I of the Housing Act of 1949 or related urban renewal statutes.</li> <li>Must contribute to the elimination or prevention of slum/blight.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Activities within approved urban renewal areas.</li> <li>Clearance, site preparation, or relocation efforts.</li> </ul>

## **II. Definition and Local Authority**

HUD defers to state and local law for defining 'slum' and 'blight.' However, documentation must demonstrate that the conditions meet federal criteria for substantial deterioration or obsolescence. Local ordinances typically identify blight as properties or areas exhibiting physical decay, unsafe structures, inadequate infrastructure, or economic obsolescence contributing to community decline.

## **III. Documentation Requirements**

Each CDBG activity qualifying under the slum/blight objective must maintain written documentation that includes:

- Official designation of the blighted area (if area basis).
- Description and photographic evidence of deteriorated conditions.

#### Attachment B

- Identification of how the activity addresses one or more causes of blight.
- Records of compliance with local ordinances or redevelopment plans.
- Before-and-after documentation for rehabilitation or demolition.

## **IV. Performance and Outcome Requirements**

CDBG-assisted activities addressing blight must demonstrate measurable results consistent with program performance standards. Outcomes should reflect the elimination of hazardous or deteriorated conditions and prevention of further deterioration within the community. Activities should be evaluated using local housing condition surveys, code enforcement data, and neighborhood stabilization indicators.

## V. Redevelopment Considerations

HUD does not require that blighted properties be redeveloped following clearance or demolition; however, the resulting conditions must not create new public nuisances or safety hazards. Redevelopment is encouraged as a best practice when feasible to sustain area improvements and leverage additional investment. Future reuse plans should align with the Consolidated Plan and local community development strategies.

## **VI. Best Practices for Compliance**

To ensure compliance and effective outcomes, grantees should:

- Maintain clear local definitions of blight and documentation standards.
- Conduct regular condition assessments and update designations as needed.
- Link blight removal to long-term revitalization goals.
- Use objective data (e.g., code violations, vacancy rates) to support determinations.
- Ensure activities focus on correction of deterioration rather than general beautification.

#### VII. References

- 24 CFR 570.208(b) National Objective: Prevention or Elimination of Slums or Blight
- HUD Guide to National Objectives and Eligible Activities for Entitlement Communities (Chapter 3)
- HUD Exchange: Community Development Block Grant Program National Objectives Overview

## Attachment C

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Line #	Property Name Ammunition	Address Former Fort Ord - Barloy	<b>City</b> Marina	Supervisory District	Land Area (acres) 251.0	Building Area 64,584	Number of Buildings 10 Bunkers	National Register of Historic Places	Current or Planned Use Originally part of East Garrison II.	Year Built	Good - Bunkers
	Supply Point	Canyon Road south of East Garrison					4 Warehouses 9 Other		Currently used for secure storage.		Poor - Other Structures
2	East Garrison Historic District	Former Fort Ord-in East Garrison Development	Marina	D4	12.0	100,000	23	Yes	Historic structures slated for reuse as part of arts district.	1939-1941	Fair - Mothballed to US Dol Standards
3	Firing Range & Marshal Station	Former Fort Ord - south of Watkins Gate Road and East Garrison Drive	Marina	D4	10.0		2?	No	Open space adjacent to East Garrison.	1939-1941	Critical/Failure - Environmental contamination
4	King City Yard	522 North Second Street	King City	D3	2.9	9,526	6	No	ITD communications tower	1940-1994	Critical/Failure - Environmental contamination
5	Sheriff Firing Range	Bitterwater Road	King City	D3	19.0	0	0	No		1960	Critical/Failure - Environmental contamination
6	Porter-Vallejo Mansion	29 Bishop Street	Pajaro	D2	0.5	9,804 NSP	2	Yes	County tenants expected to reoccupy space when repairs are complete.	1880s	Critical/Failure - Flood Restoration Required Upper Floors not ADA Compliant

Line #	Property Name	Address	City	Supervisory District	Land Area (acres)	Building Area	Number of Buildings	National Register of Historic Places	Current or Planned Use	Year Built	Existing Condition*
7	Old County Jail	152 West. Alisal Street	Salinas	D4	0.5	8,000	1	Yes		1930s	Critical/Failure - Environmental Remediation Required Mothballed to US Dol standards.
8	Old County "Farm"	Constitution Boulevard	Salinas	D1	17.0	2,400	1	1	NMC unpaved parking. SUHSD responsible for maintaining "Barn" at no cost to County.	1920s	Critical/Failure - Safety
9	Former County Hospital	1330 Natividad Road	Salinas	D1	5.7	59,000	12	No		1	Critical/Failure - Obsolete
10	Former Printing Services	1220 Natividad Road	Salinas	D1	1.3	3,500	1	No	e		Critical/Failure - Obsolete & Safety
11	Old Juvenile Hall	1352 Natividad Road	Salinas	D1	0.5	3,700	1	No			Critical/Failure - Obsolete & Safety

Line #	Property Name Laurel Yard	Address 855 East Laurel Drive	<b>City</b> Salinas	Supervisory District D1	Land Area (acres) 91.5	Building Area 92,344	Number of Buildings 12	Current or Planned Use Various current and proposed uses. Approximately 17% vacant and vacancy might be increased by rearranging uses.	Existing Condition*  Good - Gas Station underground leaking tanks have been remediated. Fair - Bldg. G has exceeded it useful life

Line #	Property Name	Required Work for Reuse	DRAFT 2025 Facility Master Plan Use	Current Plans or Work	2024 and Proposed Tenants or Uses	Availability	Notes	Potential County Reuse
1	Ammunition Supply Point		None identified		Contracts & Purchasing District Attorney Sheriff	In Use (partial)	Bunkers - 42% Vacant Warehouse - 52% Vacant	None identified
2	East Garrison Historic District		Future use included in E.G. DDA	Successor Agency is preparing revised master plan for Historic District. This will help determine status of buildings and whether they will be demolished.	Vacant	Unknown		Future uses included in E.G. DDA
3	Firing Range & Marshal Station	Clean up of existing environmental contamination.	None identified, but identifed as "development" in Fort Ord HMP.	US EPA is performing technical evaluation of environmental remediation requirements.	Vacant	Unknown		Parcel is identified as "development" in HMP.
4	King City Yard	Clean up of existing environmental contamination.	Animal Services Affordable Housing	Facility Assessment Report prepared 2015.	Vacant	Unknown	ITD maintains communications tower at site that may require relocation (at approx. cost of \$2M) depending on proposed use.	Property may be suitable for in- fill housing.
5	Sheriff Firing Range	Clean up of existing environmental contamination.	None identified		Vacant	Unknown		None identified
6	Porter-Vallejo Mansion	Completion of flood restoration will make first floor usable. Other floors need to be made accessible.	Flexible meeting and training space	Restoration Plan Flood restoration work is underway. Facility Assessment Modernization work is partially funded.	Health - 12% Library - 20% Sheriff - 8% Social Services - 3% Vacant - 57%	Unknown		HCD - Kents Court management office Health Library Sheriff Social Services

<b>Line #</b> 7		Required Work for Reuse Complete renovation of front administration wing. Demolition of jail block building.		Current Plans or Work  Reuse included in Admin.  Center Master Plan  Admin. Building restored and used as agricultural labor museum.	2024 and Proposed Tenants or Uses Vacant		Notes  Project must undergo an EIR/CEQA Process, Remediation, Design, Demolition and Construction prior to occupancy.	Potential County Reuse Open Space/Plaza
8	Old County "Farm"		3	SUHSD is evaluating historic value of barn and possible salvage value of lumber.	Salinas Union High School District (FFA Program)	In Use - 3.5 acres leased to SUHSD on month-to- month.		Property is designated for future "health" related development.
9	Former County Hospital	Complete renovation or demolition / reconstruction	Under separate master plan	NMC is evaluating as part of NMC Master Plan	Vacant	Unknown		
10	Former Printing Services	Complete renovation or demolition / reconstruction	Possible lease to raise capital for housing trust fund.		Vacant	Immediate	improvement but would require a complete	Sheriff - Reentry program. Health Dept behavioral health or future parking. HCD - lease to generate revenue to capitalize MCLHTF.
11	Old Juvenile Hall	Partial demolition and complete renovation	Family Justice Center		Vacant	Immediate	Project would undergo historic restoration and possible EIR/CEQA Process.	Youth Center relocation District Attorney Health Dept.

Line #	Property Name	Required Work for Reuse	DRAFT 2025 Facility Master Plan Use	Current Plans or Work	2024 and Proposed Tenants or Uses	Availability	Notes	Potential County Reuse
12		yield more efficient uses and			Bike/Skate Park - 2% Eden Housing - 6% Fleet Management - 2% HACM Sr. Housing - 6% Probation - 3% Public Works (ITD & WRA) - 34% Share Center - 1% Vacant 1 - 17%	Unknown	part of County road system and do not have dedicated funding for maintenance.	Gas Station is only use that cannot be relocated due to restrictive covenents that limit reuse potential of this specific area.  Property has PG&E easement for high voltage lines that limit uses within 50' of easement.

Line #	Property Name	Require CDBG County / City Agreement	CDBG Blight Type	CDBG Redevelopment Required	Potential CDBG Issues
1	Ammunition Supply Point	No	Area or Spot	No	May not qualify as blighted, outside urbanized area.
2	East Garrison Historic District	No	Area or Spot	No, but best practice would be redevelopment consistent with community plan.	CDBG cannot replace any required developer or successor agency contributions but can supplement them if additional funding is required.
3	Firing Range & Marshal Station	No	Spot	No	
4	King City Yard	Yes	Spot	No, but best practice would be redevelopment consistent with community plan.	Documenting proportional benefit.
5	Sheriff Firing Range	No	Spot	No	May not qualify as blighted, outside urbanized area.
6	Porter-Vallejo Mansion	No	Spot	No	

<b>Line #</b>	Property Name Old County Jail	Require CDBG County / City Agreement Yes	CDBG Blight Type Spot	CDBG Redevelopment Required No, but best practice would be redevelopment consistent with community plan.	Potential CDBG Issues  Documenting proportional benefit.
8	Old County "Farm"	Yes	Spot	No	Documenting proportional benefit.
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# Attachment C County Owned Property with Deferred Maintenance

Line#	Property Name	Require CDBG County / City Agreement	CDBG Blight Type	CDBG Redevelopment Required	Potential CDBG Issues
12	Laurel Yard	Yes	Spot	No	Documenting proportional benefit.

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## Attachment D CDBG & HOME Funding for Homeless Activities

#### Objectives Related to Homelessness

<u>Program</u>	Statutory Authority	Primary Objective Related to Homelessness
CDBG	Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974	Provide decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expand economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons—including persons experiencing homelessness.
HOME	Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990	

#### Definition of Homelessness

The CDBG program does not provide a standalone regulatory definition of "homelessness." For purposes of activity eligibility and beneficiary determination, grantees generally apply the HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) definition at 24 CFR 578.3 to ensure consistency across federal housing programs. CDBG-funded activities serving such individuals are presumed to benefit low- and moderate-income persons, provided income documentation or categorical eligibility standards are maintained.

The HOME Program aligns with the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. §11302) as interpreted by HUD for the Continuum of Care and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) programs.

Under these standards, a "homeless person" is an individual or family who:

- 1) Lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, including those:
  - a) Residing in places not meant for human habitation (e.g., cars, parks, abandoned buildings);
- 2) Living in emergency shelters or transitional housing; or
- 3) Exiting an institution where they temporarily resided and previously met the above conditions.
- 4) Is imminently losing housing within 14 days and lacks resources or support networks to obtain new housing.
- 5) Is fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence or similar threats and lacks other housing or resources.

#### Eligible Uses

Activity Category	CDBG – Eligibility and Limitations	HOME – Eligibility and Limitations
Homeless Facilities (shelters, transitional housing)	Improvements for acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation if serving primarily low- and moderate-income persons, including homeless	Eligible for acquisition, rehabilitation, or new construction if units will serve HOME-eligible low-income households. Not eligible for emergency shelter facilities unless converted to permanent housing.
Supportive Services (case management, counseling, job training)	Eligible under Public Services, subject to 15% cap of grant plus program income; must	Generally ineligible except as part of project- related soft costs or operating assistance for CHDO-owned rental projects.
Operating Costs of Shelters	Limited exceptions under Public Service	Ineligible. HOME funds may not be used for ongoing operations or maintenance of shelters or housing units.

## Attachment D CDBG & HOME Funding for Homeless Activities

Activity Category	CDBG – Eligibility and Limitations	HOME – Eligibility and Limitations
Tenant-Based Rental	Generally ineligible under CDBG except in	Eligible under HOME for up to two years,
Assistance (TBRA)	disaster recovery or specific waivers.	renewable; may assist formerly homeless
		households transitioning to permanent
		housing.
Homeless Prevention (short-	Ineligible except under certain waivers or	Eligible as Tenant Based Rental Assistance
term rental / mortgage	CDBG-CV funds related to COVID-19.	(TBRA) if meeting income and affordability
assistance)		criteria, typically not used for short-term
		emergency assistance.
Housing Development for	Eligible for acquisition, clearance, or site	Fully eligible for construction, acquisition, or
Homeless Populations	improvements associated with affordable	rehabilitation of affordable housing restricted to
	housing development.	low-income households, including homeless
		individuals/families.
	Cannot fund new housing construction except	
	under special authorities.	
Administrative Costs	Eligible up to 20% of the annual grant plus	Eligible up to 10% of annual HOME allocation
	program income for planning and administrative	and program income for administrative and
	expenses.	planning costs.

#### Cross Jurisdictional Benefit

Based on the 2024 Point in Time County by Jurisdiction, the unhoused population of the Urban County (cities of Gonzales, Greenfield, Marina, and Sand City and unincorporated areas) was 629 people, or roughly 26% of the countywide total. The other entitlement jurisdictions of Monterey, Salinas, and Seaside accounted for 1,656 people or 68% of the countywide unhoused population. Based on this information, the County could use CDBG or HOME funds to cover approximately 26% of eligible homeless facilities and services. Note, the Point in Time survey is jurisdiction based and not on the last place of residence, which could alter the distribution some.



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#### CDBG & HOME Application Guide – FY 2026–2027

#### INTRODUCTION

This Guide is designed for applicants seeking CDBG Public Services, CDBG Public Facilities, HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA), or HOME Housing Rehabilitation funding through the County of Monterey's Urban County. The Guide provides additional detail on how to complete the Urban County application for CDBG and/or HOME Investment Partnership Act funding from the Urban County.

#### **SECTION 1 – APPLICANT INFORMATION**

#### Applicants must provide:

- Legal Organization Name (must match CA Secretary of State records)
- FEIN (Federal Employer Identification Number) and UEI (Unique Entity Identifier)
- Physical and Mailing Address
- Authorized Official to sign application and Subrecipient Agreement
  - Pursuant to the California Corporations Code Section 313, Subrecipient Agreements must be signed by:
    - Any president or vice president, or chair of the Board of Directors; and,
    - Any secretary, assistant secretary, treasurer, or assistant treasurer, or the CFO; or
    - Any position named in a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors, provided a copy of said Resolution is provided to the County with the application.
- Primary Project Contact
- Fiscal Contact

#### Requirements:

- Organizational name must match Articles of Incorporation or Active Status Certificate.
- Contact information must be current and consistent across IRS/state filings.
- If using a DBA, supporting documentation must be attached.

#### **SECTION 2 – PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

Provide a concise summary including:

- What will the project do or what services will be delivered?
- What outcomes will be achieved?
- What need does this project address?
- How does the project address the need?
- Who is the target population?
- How does it align with the Consolidated Plan?

#### Strong descriptions include:

- Evidence-based models
- Clear, measurable activities
- Geographic coverage across participating jurisdictions

## SECTION 3 & ATTACHMENT A – COMMUNITY NEED & CONSOLIDATED PLAN ALIGNMENT

#### Applicants must demonstrate:

- A clear, data-supported community need
- Alignment with at least ONE FY 2025–2029 Consolidated Plan goal
- Documentation of service gaps, disparities, waitlists, or unmet needs
- Justification of why the applicant is best positioned to deliver the service

#### Examples of strong data sources:

- Census/Low- and Moderate-Income Summary Data (LMISD) data
- Local department reports
- Health, education, or law enforcement statistics
- Organization's own service data

#### SECTION 4 & ATTACHMENTS B & C – APPLICANT CAPACITY

#### Applicants must show:

- Strong staffing and organizational structure
- Experience implementing similar programs
- Demonstrated ability to manage federal funds
- Effective financial systems and internal controls

#### Required documentation:

- Organizational chart
- Board roster
- Resumes of key staff
- Summary of fiscal controls
- Prior grant performance (if applicable)

#### SECTION 5 & ATTACHMENTS D & J – BENEFICIARIES & SERVICE AREA

#### Applicants must:

- Select correct HUD National Objective (CDBG) or income qualification method (HOME)
- Provide Census Tract / Block Group (for Area Benefit activities)
- Describe income verification procedures (for Low- and Moderate-Income Clientele [LMC] or HOME)
- Estimate beneficiaries by jurisdiction
- Demonstrate equitable service access across the Urban County

#### SECTION 6 & ATTACHMENT E & F – BUDGET & EVALUATION

#### **Budget Requirements:**

- Complete budget tables
- Identify secured vs. pending funds
- Provide justification for line items
- Ensure budget matches project scale

#### **Evaluation Requirements:**

- Define outputs (units of service)
- Define outcomes (results / change)
- Identify data collection tools
- Describe evaluation frequency

#### **SECTION 7 & ATTACHMENT G – CERTIFICATIONS**

Applicants must sign all required certifications:

- Accuracy of application
- Debarment and suspension certification
- Non-supplanting and non-discrimination
- Compliance with federal laws and regulations
- Facility operations commitment (if applicable)

Signature must be from the Authorized Official listed in Section 1.

#### **SECTION 8 – FEDERAL COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Compliance items include:

- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Environmental Review (all projects)
  - The County will complete all NEPA reviews prior to issuing a Subrecipient Agreement for signature.
  - Public Service applications are categorically exempt from NEPA review, but the County must still complete the paperwork.
- Uniform Relocation Act (URA) relocation compliance (facilities/rehab)
- California Prevailing Wage standards (public works projects that exceed \$1,000) and Davis-Bacon labor standards (construction over \$2,000)
- Section 3 labor hour reporting (construction)
- Procurement following 2 CFR 200
- Lead-based paint compliance (HOME rehab)

No construction or commitments may begin before receiving environmental clearance.

#### **SECTION 9A – CDBG REQUIREMENTS**

**Public Services:** 

- Must be new or a quantifiable expansion of services
- Must meet LMC or Low- and Moderate-Income Area (LMA) eligibility
  - LMA eligibility is based on HUD Low- and Moderate-Income data at the census tract and block levels or approved income survey.
- Must document income eligibility or area data

#### Public Facilities (Attachments H & I):

- Must demonstrate site control
- Must undergo full environmental review
- May require State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), noise, or hazard assessments

• Must follow Davis-Bacon and URA (if applicable)

#### Examples of eligible activities:

- Community center upgrades
- ADA accessibility improvements
- Program expansion for low/mod income persons

#### **SECTION 9B & ATTACHMENTS J & K – HOME REQUIREMENTS**

#### **HOME TBRA Requirements:**

- Income ≤80% AMI (source docs required)
- Rent reasonableness determination
- Housing Quality Standards (HQS) inspection before move-in
- Written agreements with tenants
- Utility allowance documentation

#### **HOME Rehabilitation Requirements:**

- · Owner-occupied housing only
- Scope of work required
- Lead-based paint rules apply
- Contractor procurement must follow 2 CFR 200

#### **Underwriting:**

- Cost reasonableness
- Long-term affordability
- Detailed work write-up

#### **SECTION 10 – ATTACHMENTS**

All attachments must be submitted. Required templates include:

#### **Attachment A - Data Supporting Need (Optional)**

#### Include:

- Surveys
- Waitlists

- Research studies
- Local data

#### **Attachment B - Organizational Capacity**

#### Include:

- Organizational chart
- Staff resumes/qualifications
- Board roster

#### Fiscal controls description

• Experience with federal grants

#### Attachment C - Organizational Documentation

#### Include:

- Most recent audit/financial review
- IRS tax-exempt letter

- Insurance certificates
- Articles of Incorporation

#### **Attachment D - National Objective Worksheet (CDBG)**

#### Document:

- LMC, LMA, Slum/Blight, or Urgent Need
- National Objective documentation
- Census tract & block group
- LMA/LMISD support
- Income verification method (LMC)

#### Attachment E - Budget & Matching Funds Narrative (Optional)

#### Describe:

- Leveraged funds
- Identify secured vs. pending funds.
- Describe cost reasonableness.

Indirect cost breakdown (if applicable)

### Attachment F - Monitoring & Outcomes Plan (Optional but Strongly Encouraged)

#### Include:

- Outputs & outcomes
- Evaluation methods

- Data collection tools
- Reporting schedule

#### **Attachment G - Federal Compliance Forms**

#### Required forms:

- SF-424
- Debarment form

- Lobbying certification
- Civil rights compliance

#### Attachment H - Site Control (Facilities Only)

Acceptable documents:

- Deed
  - Lease agreement

- MOU for facility use
- Easement agreement

#### Attachment I - Maps & Photos (Facilities Only)

#### Include:

- LMISD map
- Service area map

- Facility photos
- Site plan (if applicable

#### Attachment J - HOME Addendum (TBRA or Rehab)

#### Include:

- Income qualification process
- Income limits
- Rent limits

- TBRA/rehab scope
  - Property standards

#### Attachment K - HOME Underwriting & Compliance Worksheet

#### Include:

- Income calculation
- Rent reasonableness

- Affordability period
- HQS/inspection documentation

#### **Attachment L - Letters of Support (Optional)**

#### Include:

• Partner endorsements

Community support letters

#### **SECTION 11 – SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS**

The Authorized Official must sign the application. Electronic signatures are acceptable if secured.

#### Signature certifies:

- All information is true and correct
- Agency accepts responsibility for compliance
- Agency acknowledges federal monitoring

#### **FINAL CHECKLIST**

#### Before submitting, confirm:

- All required fields complete
- All Attachments A–N submitted
- Census and income data included
- Budget matches narrative and tables
- Authorized signature included
- Submission before deadline

## Attachment B

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#### CDBG & HOME Rating and Ranking Criteria – FY 2026–2027

These rating and ranking criteria establish the objective framework for evaluating FY 2026–2027 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program applications for the Monterey Urban County. Evaluations are based on the FY 2025–2029 Consolidated Plan (Amended October 2025).

#### 1. Threshold Review (Pass/Fail)

Applications must meet all threshold requirements before scoring. Those failing any threshold item will not be ranked.

<u>Criterion</u>	Requirement	<b>Verification Source</b>
Eligibility	Activity is eligible under 24 CFR 570.201–207 (CDBG)	Section 9A or 9B
	or 24 CFR 92.205-92.209 (HOME).	
National Objective	Meets one National Objective (Benefit to L/M Income,	Attachment D
	Slum/Blight, or Urgent Need).	
Completeness	All required sections and Attachments A–N submitted.	Section
Capacity	Applicant demonstrates ability to manage federal	Section 4
	funds and implement projects.	Attachments B & C
Environmental	No known barriers preventing compliance with NEPA.	Section 9A/9B
Readiness		
<b>HOME</b> Requirements	Income targeting ≤80% AMI, affordability period, and	Section 9B
(if applicable)	underwriting completed.	Attachments J & K

#### 2. Rating Criteria (105 Points Total)

		<u>Max</u>	
<u>Category</u>	<u>Criteria</u>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Evaluation Source</b>
Community Need &	Identifies a well-documented need	20	Sections 2 & 3
Consolidated Plan	supported by data and directly aligns		Attachments A & F
Alignment	with Consolidated Plan goals; includes		
	measurable progress indicators.		
Program Design &	Logical program design, measurable	20	Sections 3, 5, 6
Impact	outcomes, and clear beneficiary		
	tracking; enhances level of service.		
Organizational Capacity	Demonstrated experience, fiscal	15	Section 4
& Readiness	controls, staff qualifications, and		Attachments B & C
	readiness to implement.		
Budget & Leveraging	Realistic, cost-effective budget;	15	Section 6
	matching funds secured or pending;		Attachment B
	reasonable administrative cost ratio.		
Performance	Defines outputs/outcomes; method for	15	Section 6
Measurement &	evaluating impact and continuous		
Evaluation	improvement.		

Equity & Cross-	Demonstrates equitable service	15	Section 5
Jurisdictional Benefit	distribution and proportional benefit		Attachments D & J
	across Urban County jurisdictions.		
Innovation / Creative	Employs novel, collaborative, or data-	+5	Sections 3, 6,
Solution (Bonus)	driven strategies that expand reach or		Attachments A-C
	efficiency.		

#### 3. Objective Scoring Standards

<u>Score</u>	<u>Description</u>
5 - Excellent	Fully documented, evidence-based, exceeds expectations.
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Community Need & Innovation	20 + 5
Organizational Capacity & Innovation	15 + 5
Program Design & Equity	35
<b>Budget &amp; Performance Measurement</b>	30
Eligibility, Need, Impact	10-20
Eligibility, Need, Impact	10-20
Supporting Documentation	All
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		NATIONAL OBJECTIVE &
		MANCE MEASUREMENT
Calegory	CDBG	HOME Investment Partnerships Program
Statutory "National Objectives"	Benefit low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons.     Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight     Meet urgent needs (unique emergency conditions)	Expand supply of decent, safe, sanitary, affordable housing.     Strengthen public-private housing partnerships.     Increase nonprofit (CHDO) capacity.     Promote housing affordability and stability
HUD Performance Objectives	Suitable Living Environment     Decent Housing     Economic Opportunity(CDBG activities may fall under any of the three)	Decent Housing (primary)     Suitable Living Environment (limited HOME applications)     Economic Opportunity (rare for HOME)
HUD Performance Outcomes	Availability/Accessibility     Affordability     Sustainability(CDBG activities commonly use all three)	<ul> <li>Affordability (primary)</li> <li>Availability/Accessibility (TBRA, accessibility retrofits)</li> <li>Sustainability (rehab extending useful life)</li> </ul>

#### CDBG & HOME PERFORMANCE INDICATORS HOME-assisted units created, rehabilitated, or acquired Households assisted (rehab, acquisition, conversion) ousing Units / Households assisted through TBRA Units meeting HOME property standards Housing units improved or preserved Substandard units brought to code Units affordable at 30%, 50%, 60%, 80% AMI Reduction in housing cost burden for LMI households Number of units affordable to LMI households Affordability achieved through rehab or acquisition Cost burden reduction for TBRA households Required affordability period compliance (5–20 years) Units created to expand affordable housing supply Accessibility improvements within HOME rental/homeownership projects increased availability of affordable rental units Persons with new or improved access to facilities or services Accessibility improvements (ADA) Increased availability of residential services Units meeting HOME property standards (initial and ongoing) HQS/property condition inspections completed Energy efficiency and safety improvements Units meeting local code or rehab standards Removal of health/safety hazards (lead, mold, electrical) Total persons/households served Income eligibility at <80% AMI</li> Household demographics and race/ethnicity Target populations (elderly, disabled, homeless, large family) eneficiary haracterislics % LMI beneficiaries Race/ethnicity reporting Special needs populations served Cost per unit (rehab/new) Program administrative cost ratios Leveraged funds from private, public, or other sources HOME subsidy per unil Development subsidy cost compliance Leverage and match contributions (24 CFR 92.218–92.222) HOME projects contributing to neighborhood stabilization Location of units in targeted reinvestment areas Supportive infrastructure benefiting HOME units Blight removal indicators (structures removed, parcels cleared) eighborhood / Neighborhood improvement metrics (lighting, sidewalks, conditions) Target-area benefit tracking ommunity Impact Housing stability of assisted households Successful tenancy outcomes in rental projects Foreclosure prevention/recapture compliance Job creation/retention for housing-linked projects Increased employment or household stability after assistance nomic Stability / Homelessness prevention outcomes

CONSOLIDATED PLAN GOALS
1. Fair Housing
$\square$ Provides fair housing education, counseling, outreach, investigation, mediation, or enforcement services.
2. Homeless Services & Homelessness Prevention
<ul> <li>□ Supports individuals or families experiencing homelessness.</li> <li>□ Prevents homelessness (rent assistance, case management, TBRA, diversion programs).</li> <li>□ Expands crisis response, emergency shelter, transitional housing, or related services.</li> </ul>
3. Public Facilities Improvements
☐ Improves or constructs facilities serving low- and moderate-income residents.  Examples: youth centers, senior centers, health facilities, emergency shelters, ADA improvements, safety upgrades.
4. Public Services
<ul> <li>□ Provides services to low/moderate-income persons (youth, seniors, families).</li> <li>□ Provides health, wellness, recreation, or social services.</li> <li>□ Provides legal services including fair housing.</li> <li>□ Enhances or expands an existing level of service.</li> </ul>
5. Affordable Housing
<ul> <li>□ Rehabilitates existing affordable housing.</li> <li>□ Provides substantial rehabilitation or acquisition/rehabilitation.</li> <li>□ Supports infrastructure tied to affordable housing development.</li> <li>□ Provides HOME TBRA or rental assistance.</li> <li>□ Improves long-term housing stability for LMI households.</li> </ul>

Fair housing is the only mandated Consolidated Plan Goal and activity that must be financed by CDBG.

CDBG funds cannot be used to fund new construction but can be used to fund off-site improvements, such as sidewalks, required for project.

Three goal categories are not shown or included in the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan:

- Infrastructure Improvements
- Economic Development
- Neighborhood Revitalization & Blight Reduction

One goal category not shown but included in Consolidated Plan

General Administration

## **BENEFICIARIES**

- 3 Ways to Document Low/Moderate-Income Benefit
- Area Benefit
   Census tract and block group level information from HUD Income survey
- Limited Clientele

Abused Children

Adult Survivors of Domestic Violence

Elderly (over 62)

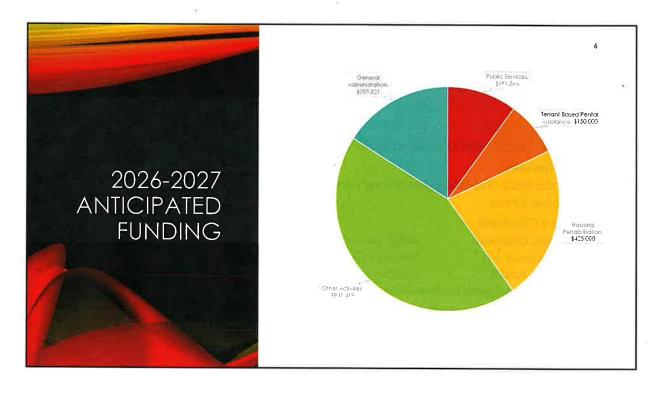
Severely Disabled Adults

Illiterate Adults

Persons Living with AIDS

Migrant Farmworkers

• Individual Documentation



The Current federal budget proposal will decrease funding for CDBG nationwide by 6%.

The current federal budget proposal for federal fiscal year 2026-2027 would eliminate HOME funding.

The 2026-2027 NOFA will award funding based on the assumption that these reductions are enacted.

Available CDBG funding in 2026-2027 is estimated to be \$1,279,106.

The Urban County is including FY 2025-2026 HOME funding in the 2026-2027 NOFA because it has awarded after the current year NOFA and funding announcements.

### APPLICATION OVERVIEW

<u>Title</u> <u>Purpose</u>

Applicant Information Basic organizational and contact details.

Project Description Overview of activity, purpose, and intended outcomes.

Community Need & Proposed Describe community need, Consolidated Plan goal alignment, and performance

Improvement tracking.

Applicant Capacity Provide staffing, management, and experience with federal programs.

Beneficiaries & Outcomes Identify beneficiaries, document low/mod income benefit, and enter census

tract and block group data.

Budget & Evaluation Provide financial summary, measurable outcomes, and evaluation frequency

and how information from evaluation is integrated into program

improvements

Certifications Compliance assurances for federal and local requirements.

CDBG-Specific Section Eligibility, National Objective, and 24 CFR 570 compliance.

HOME-Specific Section Income targeting, affordability, and underwriting details.

HOME-Specific Section Income targeting, affordability, and underwrited Attachments Checklist List and confirm required attachments A–N.

Signature & Certification Authorized official certification of accuracy.

### APPLICATION SCHEDULE

- December 18, 2025 Notice of Funding Availability Published and Direct Email
- January 5, 2026 2027-2028 CDBG & HOME Applications Available
- January 7, 2026 Mandatory CDBG & HOME Application Workshop
- January 20, 2026 2027-2028 CDBG & HOME Applications Due
- February 20, 2026 City Partners Review and Ranking Complete
- March 30, 2026 (week of) Urban County Committee considers 2027-2028 Annual Plan
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- May 12, 2026 Board of Supervisors to Consider 2027-2028 CDBG & HOME Annual Plan



### THRESHOLD CRITERIA

**Criterion** 

Requirement

Eligibility

Activity is eligible under 24 CFR 570.201–207 (CDBG) or 24 CFR 92.205–92.209 (HOME).

National Objective

Meets one National Objective (Benefit to L/M Income, Slum/Blight, or Urgent Need).

Completeness

All required sections and Attachments submitted.

Capacity

Applicant demonstrates ability to manage federal funds and implement projects.

**Environmental Readiness** 

No known barriers preventing compliance with NEPA.

**HOME Requirements** 

(if applicable)

Income targeting  $\leq$ 80% AMI, affordability period, and underwriting completed.

	RATING CRI	ERIA Max Points
<u>Category</u>	Criteria	
Community Need & Consolidated Plan Alignment	Identifies a well-documented need supported by data and directly aligns with Consolidated Plan goals; includes measurable progress indicators.	20
Program Design & Impact	Logical program design, measurable outcomes, and clear beneficiary tracking; enhances level of service.	20
Organizational Capacity & Readiness	Demonstrated experience, fiscal controls, staff qualifications, and readiness to implement.	15
Budget & Leveraging	Realistic, cost-effective budget; matching funds secured or pending; reasonable administrative cost ratio.	15
Performance Measurement & Evaluation	Defines outputs/outcomes; method for evaluating impact and continuous improvement.	15
Equity & Cross-Jurisdictional Benefit	Demonstrates equitable service distribution and proportional benefit across Urban County jurisdictions.	15
Innovation / Creative Solution (Bonus)	Employs novel, collaborative, or data-driven strategies that expand reach or efficiency.	+5

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