

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)

FOR RIVERSIDE COUNTY 2025-2026

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT (CDBG) - DISTRICT ALLOCATION
EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS (ESG) GRANT
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (HOME)**

Riverside County announces the start of application cycles for Urban County's CDBG, ESG, and HOME programs for 2025-2026. The county and participating cities use these federally funded programs to provide decent housing, an adequate living environment, and the expansion of economic opportunity primarily for low-income individuals and families.

The county anticipates obtaining the following grant amounts from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the program year 2025-2026: \$7,500,000 for CDBG, \$600,000 for ESG, and \$2,130,000 for HOME. To view the complete **Notice of Funding Availability** (NOFA) for the CDBG and ESG programs, visit www.rivcohws.org. Physical copies of the NOFAs can also be obtained by emailing RivcoCDBG@rivco.org.

ONLINE APPLICATION: The County will begin accepting applications for the 2025-2026 CDBG application cycle starting August 27, 2024. The FILLABLE APPLICATIONS may be accessed online. All CDBG and ESG applications must be submitted by mail no later than 5:00 PM PST on December 2, 2024. The website offers a fillable application and instructions on how to apply. For questions or assistance with the application forms, please contact Nicholas Fonosch at nfonosch@rivco.org or 951-955-5936.

To begin the application process, applicants should visit the county's website at:

<https://rivcohws.org/community-and-housing-development/cdbg-program>

Applications for CDBG and ESG funding will only be accepted from 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations and government agencies.

COOPERATING CITY CDBG ALLOCATION: Please note that Cooperating Cities participating in the County CDBG program will receive their own County CDBG allocation for projects and activities that benefit their individual cities. Organizations considering applying to Cooperating Cities for their CDBG assignments should consult directly with those cities for information, procedures, and application deadlines. The county's CDBG website provides contact information for cooperating cities.

HOME PROGRAM: The county will accept HOME applications for new construction and substantial rehabilitation projects on an ongoing basis until all funds for the current fiscal year are exhausted. Organizations interested in applying for HOME funds for the development of affordable housing can find the funding application at <https://rivcohws.org/community-and-housing-development/housing-programs/home-program>. For questions or assistance with the funding application, please contact Mervyn Manalo at mmanalo@rivco.org or 951-955-0774.

The County is required to select activities funded by CDBG, ESG, and HOME and include them in the One Year Action Plan, which must be submitted to HUD by August 2025. This plan will detail all activities the County intends to fund for the 2025-2026 program year. A public hearing on the proposed One Year Action Plan will be held by the Board of Supervisors on or about March 2025, followed by the Board's adoption of the Final One Year Action Plan, expected on or about June 2025. If you have any questions or need additional assistance, please contact:

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NOTE: To obtain a list of the County's Citizen Engagement Meetings times and locations for the 2025-2026 program year, please contact CDBG Program Staff at RivcoCDBG@rivco.org.

People with hearing or speech disabilities can contact CDBG program staff using the California Relay Service (711).

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