



City of  
**Los Banos**  
*At the Crossroads of California*

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## COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Date: October 27, 2017  
Re: Notice of Public Hearing  
For: Discussion of Possible State CDBG Application

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Los Banos will conduct a public hearing on Monday, November 6, 2017 at 5:00 p.m., in the Community Center Lounge located at 645 Seventh Street, Los Banos, California in order to discuss possible application for funding under the next fiscal year's (July 1 to June 30) State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and to solicit citizen input on possible activities to be included in the application.

The Community Development and Economic Development Allocations of the State CDBG program will publish a combined Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) each program year. Eligible cities and counties may submit applications for CDBG funds under the NOFA for a maximum per application request of \$5,000,000. It is estimated that the funding of the State 2017 CDBG program allocation is approximately \$46,646,000 in total. The Economic Development "Over-the-Counter" (OTC) Allocation requires a separate application with a maximum limit of \$3,000,000. The NOFA also includes the Native American and Colonia's Allocations. The Native American Allocation is only for areas with high concentrations of low-income Native American residents, who are not part of a federally recognized Native American Indian tribe or Rancheria. The Colonia's funding is only for designated communities within 150 miles of the Mexican-American border.

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES UNDER THE ALLOCATIONS IN THE NOFA CONSIST OF:  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ENTERPRISE FUND ACTIVITIES FOR BUSINESS ASSISTANCE AND MICROENTERPRISE (MAXIMUM \$500,000 TOTAL); HOUSING PROGRAM ACTIVITIES FOR HOMEOWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE AND HOUSING REHAB PROGRAMS (MAXIMUM \$1,000,000 TOTAL); MULTI-FAMILY (MFH) ACTIVITIES FOR MFH RENTAL REHAB (MAXIMUM \$3,000,000 TOTAL); PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITIES (MAXIMUM \$500,000 TOTAL); PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS ACTIVITIES (MAXIMUM \$5,000,000 TOTAL); PUBLIC FACILITIES ACTIVITIES

(MAXIMUM \$5,000,000 TOTAL); AND PLANNING & TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES (MAXIMUM \$100,000 TOTAL).

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES PAID FOR WITH STATE CDBG FUNDS MUST MEET ONE OR MORE OF THE THREE NATIONAL OBJECTIVES LISTED IN CDBG FEDERAL STATUTES AS FOLLOWS: BENEFIT TO LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME PERSONS ; PREVENTION OR ELIMINATION OF SLUMS OR BLIGHT ; OR MEETING URGENT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEED.

The City of Los Banos anticipates submitting an application under the NOFA published during the next program year. The City does not have or anticipate receiving any CDBG Program Income. Any Program Income received would need to be expended prior to expending awarded grant funds.

The purpose of this public hearing is to give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known regarding what types of eligible activities the City of Los Banos should apply for under the State CDBG program. A separate public hearing will be held to discuss and approve the application prior to submittal to the State.

If you require special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, please contact Sandra Benetti at (209) 827-7000 ext. 118.

If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the City of Los Banos Community & Economic Development Department, at 520 J Street, Los Banos, California 93635 or by email at [sandra.benetti@losbanos.org](mailto:sandra.benetti@losbanos.org).

In addition, information is available for review at the above address between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Monday-Thursday and between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Fridays.

The City of Los Banos promotes fair housing and makes all its programs available to low and moderate income families regardless of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual preference, marital status or handicap.

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