

**ANNUAL ACTION PLAN SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT
for
HOME Investment Partnerships Program
Fiscal Year 2017-2018**

**County of Santa Barbara
HOME Investment Partnerships Consortium**

Introduction

The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides annual allocations of HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program funds 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, Goleta, and Solvang.

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

Public Comment Period

A notice was published in local newspapers and at the offices of the County in Santa Barbara and Santa Maria thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled public hearing of the Board. The notice described the proposed Project and where and how the draft substantial Action Plan amendment could be viewed, which included on the County's website.

The public was invited to 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. The public also was invited to attend the public hearing to address the Board directly.

Amendment to FY 2017-2018 HOME Investment Partnerships Program

The Action Plan for FY 2017-2018 is being amended to award \$550,000 in federal HOME Investment Partnerships Program - Program Income funds to Good Samaritan Shelter (Good Sam) to acquire and rehabilitate a seven-bedroom, single family residence at 310 N School St., in the City of Santa Maria to use as transitional or permanent housing for formerly homeless persons, or persons undergoing alcohol or drug addiction treatment. The income of occupants may range from below 30% to 60% of the Area Median Income (AMI) as published annually by HUD.

In accordance with the County's Citizen Participation Plan, this Substantial Action Plan amendment was made available for a 30-day public review period, which began on August 13th and ended at the public hearing held September 12, 2017.

At a public hearing held on September 12, 2017, the County Board of Supervisors considered the proposed use of HOME Program Income funds and considered written public comments received and heard comments provided during the hearing (see summary below).

Summary of public comments

No written or verbal comments were received by CSD on this Project during the public comment period prior to the public hearing.

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