

**NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**

Date of Notice: July 31, 2023

Name of Responsible Entity County of Orange, OC Housing & Community Development

Address: 1501 E. St. Andrew Place

City, State, Zip Code: Santa Ana, CA 92705

Telephone Number: (714) 480-2991

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the County of Orange.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about August 21, 2023, County of Orange, Housing & Community Development will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Office of Community Planning and Development for the release of CDBG funds authorized under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, (24 CFR 570) as amended for the project known as Collette's Children's Home Placentia Hope Project for the purpose of renovating existing garages to construct (1) one-bedroom and (1) two-bedroom apartment additions over the existing garage space at 1038 Cypress Street, a building currently owned and maintained by Collette's Children's Home, estimated funding of \$350,000.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The County of Orange, Housing & Community Development has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR). The ERR will be made available to the public for review either electronically or by U.S mail. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to OC Housing & Community Development, Attention: Craig Fee, 1501 E. St. Andrew Place, 1st Floor, Santa Ana, CA 92705 or by email to craig.fee@occr.ocgov.com. The ERR can be accessed online at the following website <https://www.ochcd.org/resources/environmentals>

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Notice is hereby further given to provide the public a 15-day review period beginning July 31, 2023, to August 18, 2023. Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the OC Housing & Community Development, Attention: Craig Fee, 1501 E. St. Andrew Place, 1st Floor, Santa Ana, CA 92705. All comments received by August 18, 2023, will be considered by the County of Orange prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The County of Orange certifies to HUD that Julia Bidwell in her capacity as Director of OC Housing & Community Development, 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 County of Orange to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the County of Orange certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the County of Orange; (b) the County of Orange has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; 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 via email in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD at CPDLA@hud.gov Potential objectors should contact HUD via email to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Julia Bidwell, Director
OC Housing & Community Development