

COMBINED NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

Township of Union, Union, New Jersey, posted on December 16, 2020 at 1976 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey in the Community Development Office and on the Township's Website at <https://www.uniontownship.com/150/Community-Development>

On or about December 31, 2020, the Township of Union will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the release of funds under the Community Development Block Grant Program as authorized under Title 1 of the Housing Community Development of 1974, as amended, to undertake the following projects:

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD Regulation 24 CFR Part 58.34 from National Environmental Policy Act requirement. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determination for this project is on file at the Office of Community Development, 1976 Morris Avenue, Union, N.J. 07083 and available for review and may be examined Monday- Friday.

On or about December 31, 2020, the Township of Union will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the release of funds under the Community Development Block Grant COVID-19 (ROUND 3) funding in the amount of \$401,459.00 made through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). The funds will be used to prevent, prepare for and respond to the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19). The projects below are all Public Service and are exempt activities:

| Program | Organization | Budget |
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| CV-19 Emergency Rent and Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program (ROUND 3) | UTCAO | \$321,167.20 |
| CV-19 Planning and Administration (ROUND 3) | Community Development | \$80,291.80 |
| | Program Total | \$ 401,459.00 |

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Mrs. Bertha L. Mathews, Director of the Township of Union's Office of Community Development, 1976 Morris Avenue, Union, N.J. 07083 or email community_development@uniontownship.com. All comments received by December 30, 2020, will be considered by the Township of Union prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Township of Union certifies to HUD that Mrs. Michele Delisfort in her capacity as Mayor of the Township of Union 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 Township of Union to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the Township of Union's 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 Township of Union; (b) the Township of Union 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 has committed funds or incurred costs 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 in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58) and shall be addressed to Mr. James Kerrigan at One Newark Center, 13th Floor, Newark, N.J. 07102. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Michele Delisfort, Mayor

Due to the Declared State of Emergency by Governor Murphy On March 9, 2020, please send comments via email to community_development@uniontownship.com.