

# Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2024 Action Plan

City of Watsonville Community Development Department

#### **CDBG Program Overview**

Federal Program established in 1974

City became an Entitlement Jurisdiction in 1994

Consolidated Plan

#### 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan

- An Assessment of the housing and community development needs,
- A strategic plan for addressing those needs, and
- An annual Action Plan that outlines how the CDBG funds will be used each year

#### **CDBG National Objectives**

- Benefit Low- to Moderate-Income Persons or Households
  - at or below 80% of County median income
- Prevent or Eliminate Slum and Blight
- Serve Urgent Community Need
  - Natural Disaster Recovery, urgent public health measures

# **Examples of Eligible Activities**

- Affordable Housing:
  Rehabilitation of housing and other buildings
- Public facilities and infrastructure:
  - Construction and improvements of public utility systems, sidewalks, streets, neighborhood centers
- Public Services (within limits 15% cap)
- Economic development and job creation/retention

# **Examples of Ineligible Activities**

- Purchase, construction, or reconstruction of buildings for the general conduct of government
- Equipment, operating and maintenance expenses
- Political activities
- Grants to businesses
- Subsistence or welfare-type grants to an individual or family, and
- Construction of new housing by local governments

# **CDBG Funding Requirements**

- At least 70% of CDBG expenditures must "principally benefit" low- and moderateincome persons (overall benefit)
- ALL CDBG expenditures must address at least one of the national objectives:
  - Benefit Low- and Moderate-Income persons
  - Prevention or Elimination of Slum and Blight
  - Urgent Community Needs

#### **CDBG Priorities**

- Affordable Housing
- Economic Development

Public Services

Public Facilities

#### **CDBG Funds Available for 2024**

Funds	Amount
2024 Entitlement Grant	\$660,935
Program Income (2024 Estimated Receipts)	\$ 80,000
Unused Funds (for reappropriation)	\$100,000
Total available	\$840,935

# **2024 CDBG Funding Proposal**

<b>Activity Summary</b>	Amount
Public Services (Statutory limit: 15% of total)	\$114,064
Code Enforcement	\$150,000
Economic Development	\$100,000
Public Facilities (Ramsay Park Playground Ph II)	\$156,261
Sec. 108 Loan Repayment	\$172,423
Planning and Administration (Statutory limit: 20% of total)	\$148,187
То	tal \$840,935

#### **Staff Recommendation**

Staff recommends that following the public hearing, the City Council adopt a Resolution to approve the submittal of the 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan