

Public Notice

JOINT NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

February 9, 2023

The City of Shelby
43 W. Main St., Shelby, OH 44875
(419) 347-5131

and

The Richland County Commissioners
50 Park Ave. East, Mansfield, OH 44902
(419) 774-5550

To All Interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals:

On or about, but not before, February 17, 2023, the City of Shelby and the Richland County Commissioners will submit a request to the State of Ohio for the release of Federal funds under Section 104 (g) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; Section 288 of Title II of the Cranston Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA), as amended; and/or Title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, as amended; to be used for the following project(s):

Project Name: PY2022 Shelby CHIP Program

Source of Federal Funds: HOME and CDBG Funds, as well as Richland County HOME & CDBG Housing Program Income funds and City of Shelby HOME & CDBG Housing Program Income funds

Project Description: Private Owner Home Rehabilitation and Home/Building Repair

Multi-year Project with Completion Date of April 30, 2025

Location: Richland County excluding the City of Mansfield

Estimated Cost of Project: \$723,700

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for the project(s) is available for review on Richland County's website at www.richlandcountyoh.gov and at The City of Shelby's website at www.shelbycity.oh.gov. The ERR may also be provided upon request electronically via email. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to The Richland County Commissioners, 50 Park Ave. East, Mansfield, OH 44902 or The City of Shelby, 43 W. Main St., Shelby, OH 44875 or by email to (steveschag@shelbycity.oh.gov) or (cmears@richlandcountyoh.us).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Richland County Commissioners or the City of Shelby by U.S. mail or email at the addresses above. All comments received before February 17, 2023 will be considered by the Richland County Commissioners and the City of Shelby prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Richland County Commissioners and the City of Shelby certify to the State of Ohio that Cliff Mears, Chairperson of the Richland County Commissioners and Steven L. Schag, Mayor of Shelby in their respective capacity as Chairman of Richland County Commissioners and Mayor of Shelby consent 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. The State of Ohio's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Richland County Commissioners and the City of Shelby to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The State of Ohio will accept objections to its release of funds and the Richland County Commissioners and City of Shelby's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date February 20, 2023 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 Richland County Commissioners or the City of Shelby; (b) the Richland County Commissioners or the City of Shelby 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 the State of Ohio; 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, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to Ohio Department of Development, Office of Community Development at OCD@development.ohio.gov. Potential objectors should contact the State of Ohio to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Cliff Mears, Chairman of the Richland County Commissioners
Steven L. Schag, Mayor of the City of Shelby