NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

November 10, 2025

City of Richmond, VA
Dept. of Housing & Community Development
1500 E. Main Street, Suite 300
Richmond, Virginia 23219
804-646-0361

These notices shall satisfy two separate, but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Richmond, VA.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about November 21, 2025 the City of Richmond will submit a request to the U.S. Department_of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block_Grant (CDBG) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME)_under Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, to undertake projects known as: **Critical Home Repairs – Habitat** for the purpose of rehabilitation of 15 single-family dwellings citywide, $297,000 **CDBG** funds. **Critical Home Repair – project:HOMES (PH)** for the purpose of rehabilitation of 43 single-family dwellings citywide, $618,750 **CDBG** funds. **Comprehensive Home Repair – PH** for the purpose of moderate rehabilitation of 10 single-family dwellings citywide, $600,033 **HOME** funds.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Richmond 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) on file at Department of Housing and Community Development, City of Richmond, 1500 E. Main Street, Suite 300, Richmond, VA 23219 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8 A.M to 5 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Wilken Fernandez, Senior Project Developer Manager, Department of Housing and Community Development, City of Richmond, 1500 E. Main Street, Suite 300, Richmond VA 23219 phone: 804-646-0361, facsimile: 804-646-6358, electronic mail: Wilken.fernandez@rva.gov . All comments received by November 20, 2025 will be considered by the City of Richmond prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Richmond certifies to HUD that Odie Donald II, Certifying Officer in his capacity as Chief Administrative Officer 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 City of Richmond to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Richmond 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 City of Richmond; (b) the City of Richmond 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 in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76), Attention: Ronnie J. Legette, Sr., Director, Richmond Community Planning and Development Division. Potential Objectors should contact HUD at (804) 822-4881, to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Odie Donald II, Chief Administrative Officer, Certifying Officer