

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 04, 2025**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 16

**SUBJECT: NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING:
COMMUNITY INPUT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 ANNUAL PLAN
DEVELOPMENT FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT,
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS, HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR
PERSONS WITH AIDS, AND EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT
(DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

As a recipient of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) entitlement program funding, the County of San Diego (County) develops a five-year Consolidated Plan to guide long-term planning and investment of housing and community development activities that serve residents across the region. On March 11, 2025 (8), the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) approved the 2025-29 Consolidated Plan, which covers the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2030. The Consolidated Plan establishes goals for four federal programs, locally administered by the County Health and Human Services Agency, Housing and Community Development Services (HCDS). These programs include the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG).

Each year of the five-year Consolidated Plan cycle includes an annual planning process consisting of three key documents: the Annual Plan Strategy, the Annual Plan, and the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report. At this stage of the cycle, HCDS has developed the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Annual Plan Strategy, through extensive community engagement, which sets forth the priorities for activities that will be funded in the upcoming year's Annual Plan. HCDS has conducted robust community engagement to obtain valuable feedback to inform the development of the Annual Plan Strategy. These efforts helped prioritize investments aligned with the goals of the 2025-29 Consolidated Plan, and the subsequent development of the Annual Plan.

Today's action requests the Board to hold this public hearing to receive public input on housing and community development needs and to approve the FY 2026-27 Annual Plan Strategy. Following today's hearing, HCDS will develop the FY 2026-27 Annual Plan based on all community input received. A second public comment period and hearing will also occur in Spring 2026 to gather input on specific funding recommendations to be included in the draft FY 2026-27 Annual Plan.

This item advances the County vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all residents, with a particular focus on communities that have been historically underrepresented. This item also aligns with the regional *Live Well San Diego* vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities by ensuring low-income residents have access to suitable living environments and by enhancing quality of life through decent and affordable housing. Additionally, this action supports the County Housing for All vision, the Framework for Ending Homelessness, and the Housing Blueprint by ensuring funding supports programs across the homeless-to-housed continuum for San Diego's most vulnerable residents.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Hold this public hearing to receive public input on housing and community development needs and approve the 2026-27 Annual Plan Strategy.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs were designed to address the housing, community development, and public service needs of the county's most vulnerable residents. These programs specifically serve low-and-moderate-income households and allow the County of San Diego (County) to invest in tailored interventions, such as services for individuals with special needs, nutritional meal delivery services, short-term, emergency, and permanent housing solutions, and essential home repairs that improve health and safety.

Recognizing the historical barriers that have limited some communities' ability to fully participate in civic processes, including language access, physical accessibility, and lack of representation, the County Health and Human Services Agency, Housing and Community Development Services (HCDS) developed a deliberate and inclusive strategy to reduce barriers and improve engagement. In June 2025, HCDS implemented strategies to broaden participation and enhance the accessibility of information by facilitating community input sessions at locations across the county to ensure accessibility through geographic reach for hard-to-reach populations. Public notices and community input surveys were translated into the County's threshold languages to serve non-English-speaking residents. To make public engagement more interactive and relevant, HCDS leveraged the County's social media platforms and website to reach a broader and more diverse audience. This approach reflects the County's commitment to advancing equity, fostering authentic community participation, and prioritizing investments that improve the quality of life for historically underserved communities.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today's action advances the County of San Diego Sustainability Goals. Goal #1 to engage the community in meaningful ways will be achieved through diverse engagement opportunities that will subsequently inform the development of the Fiscal Year 2026-27 Annual Plan and set clear priorities through annual community input. This planning process emphasizes accessible and equitable participation to ensure all voices are heard. Additionally, Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access to County services is achieved by prioritizing programs that expand access to affordable housing, public recreation, shelter, and supportive services for San Diego County's most vulnerable residents. Lastly, Goal #4 to protect the health and wellbeing of everyone in the region will be achieved through community engagement and the implementation of thoughtful practices that foster trust and inclusion.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with today's action. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Aguirre, seconded by Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, the Board of Supervisors closed the Hearing and took action as recommended.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

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County of San Diego) §

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



Signed

