

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HOUSING AUTHORITY
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Housing Authority

SUBMITTAL DATE:

June 18, 2015

SUBJECT: Approval of the Request for Release of Funds in Connection with March Veterans Village, District 5/District 5, [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Commissioners:

1. Approve the attached Request for Release of Funds (RROF); and
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners to execute the RROF to be filed with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

BACKGROUND:Summary

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Departmental Concurrence

Robert Field
Executive Director

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:	POLICY/CONSENT (per Exec. Office)
COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Budget Adjustment: No

For Fiscal Year: 2014/15

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY:

Rohini Dasika

County Executive Office Signature

MINUTES OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

On motion of Commissioner Ashley, seconded by Commissioner Benoit and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Washington, Benoit and Ashley
 Nays: None
 Absent: Tavaglione
 Date: June 30, 2015
 xc: Housing Authority

Kecia Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board

By:
Deputy

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District: 5

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SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Housing Authority

FORM 11: Approval of the Request for Release of Funds in Connection with March Veterans Village, District 5/District 5, [\$0]

DATE: June 18, 2015

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BACKGROUND:

Summary

The Coachella Valley Housing Coalition (CVHC), a nonprofit public benefit corporation and affordable housing developer, desires to receive from the Housing Authority of the County of Riverside (HACR) 75 Project Based VASH Vouchers (PBV's) upon the execution of an Agreement to enter into Housing Assistance Payments, which will be submitted to the HACR's Board of Commissioners at a later date for review and approval. The HACR received the PBV's from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through a competitive Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). In its response to the NOFA, HACR pledged to use the 75 PBV's as a rental subsidy for homeless veterans referred by the Veterans Affairs Loma Linda upon completion of the 138 unit new construction complex located on March Air Reserve Base (housing project). The housing project will be located on the Southwest Corner of N Street and 6th Street, Moreno Valley, CA 92551, Assessor Parcel Numbers: 294-080-006, 007 and 008.

Since the 75 PBV's are derived from federal funds awarded by HUD, a federal agency, environmental review pursuant to National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) must be conducted. The County of Riverside Economic Development Agency (EDA) as the Responsible Entity for purposes of NEPA has completed the applicable environmental review procedures and has evaluated the potential effects of the issuance of the 75 PBV's as a rental subsidy (Project) on the environment and has found that there is no significant impact on the environment. HUD also requires that the recipient of federal funds complete and execute the attached Request for Release of Funds (RROF) certifying to agree and abide by special conditions, procedures and requirements of the environmental review. The federal funds provided by the HACR for the Project are strictly for a rental subsidy that will be utilized by CVHC upon project completion and do not involve any funds for the construction of the housing project. On June 12, 2015 the attached Notice to Public of a Finding of No Significant Impact on the Environment and Intent to Request a Release of Funds (Public Notice) was published in connection with the Project.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved as to form the attached RROF. Staff recommends that the Board of Supervisors approve the attached RROF.

Impact on Citizens and Businesses

The March Veterans Village project will have a positive impact on citizens and businesses as it provides housing and supportive services for veterans as well as creates jobs for local residents.

Attachments:

Request for Release of Funds

Public Notice

Request for Release of Funds and Certification

U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development
Office of Community Planning
and Development

OMB No. 2506-0087
(exp. 07/31/2017)

This form is to be used by Responsible Entities and Recipients (as defined in 24 CFR 58.2) when requesting the release of funds, and requesting the authority to use such funds, for HUD programs identified by statutes that provide for the assumption of the environmental review responsibility by units of general local government and States. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 36 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. This agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless that collection displays a valid OMB control number.

Part 1. Program Description and Request for Release of Funds (to be completed by Responsible Entity)

1. Program Title(s) HUD VASH Project Based Vouchers	2. HUD/State Identification Number CA027	3. Recipient Identification Number (optional)
4. OMB Catalog Number(s) 14.871	5. Name and address of responsible entity Riverside County Board of Supervisors c/o Riverside County EDA 5555 Arlington Avenue Riverside, CA 92504	
6. For information about this request, contact (name & phone number) Stephanie Adams (951) 343-5455		
8. HUD or State Agency and office unit to receive request U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Planning and Development 611 W. 6th Street, St. 800, LA, CA 90017	7. Name and address of recipient (if different than responsible entity) Riverside County Board of Commissioners c/o Housing Authority of the County of Riverside 5555 Arlington Avenue Riverside, CA 92504	

The recipient(s) of assistance under the program(s) listed above requests the release of funds and removal of environmental grant conditions governing the use of the assistance for the following

9. Program Activity(ies)/Project Name(s) March Veterans Village-HUD VASH Project Based Vouchers	10. Location (Street address, city, county, State) The Project site is located on March Air Reserve Base, 15305 6th Street, Moreno Valley, CA 92551
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11. Program Activity/Project Description

The Housing Authority of the County of Riverside is proposing to use 75 HUD VASH Project Based Vouchers for the March Veterans Village project located on March Air Reserve Base. The HACR staff will recommend to its Board of Commissioners that the HACR enter into an Agreement to enter into Housing Assistance Payments Contract with The Coachella Valley Housing Coalition (CVHC).

The proposed HUD VASH Project Based Vouchers will be used to provide a rental subsidy to Veterans residing at the March Veterans Village project. The March Veterans Village project is a new construction rental housing project that will consist of 138 units of which 116 are efficiency units, 6 are one-bedroom units and 16 are two-bedroom units. The apartment units will be rented to Veterans and their families whose incomes do not exceed 50% of the area median income for the County of Riverside.

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Part 2. Environmental Certification (to be completed by responsible entity)

With reference to the above Program Activity(ies)/Project(s), I, the undersigned officer of the responsible entity, certify that:

1. The responsible entity has fully carried out its responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action pertaining to the project(s) named above.
2. The responsible entity has assumed responsibility for and complied with and will continue to comply with, the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the environmental procedures, permit requirements and statutory obligations of the laws cited in 24 CFR 58.5; and also agrees to comply with the authorities in 24 CFR 58.6 and applicable State and local laws.
3. The responsible entity has assumed responsibility for and complied with and will continue to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, and its implementing regulations 36 CFR 800, including consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer, Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations, and the public.
4. After considering the type and degree of environmental effects identified by the environmental review completed for the proposed project described in Part 1 of this request, I have found that the proposal did ☐ did not ☒ require the preparation and dissemination of an environmental impact statement.
5. The responsible entity has disseminated and/or published in the manner prescribed by 24 CFR 58.43 and 58.55 a notice to the public in accordance with 24 CFR 58.70 and as evidenced by the attached copy (copies) or evidence of posting and mailing procedure.
6. The dates for all statutory and regulatory time periods for review, comment or other action are in compliance with procedures and requirements of 24 CFR Part 58.
7. In accordance with 24 CFR 58.71(b), the responsible entity will advise the recipient (if different from the responsible entity) of any special environmental conditions that must be adhered to in carrying out the project.

As the duly designated certifying official of the responsible entity, I also certify that:

8. I am authorized to and do consent to assume the status of Federal official under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and each provision of law designated in the 24 CFR 58.5 list of NEPA-related authorities insofar as the provisions of these laws apply to the HUD responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action that have been assumed by the responsible entity.
9. I am authorized to and do accept, on behalf of the recipient personally, the jurisdiction of the Federal courts for the enforcement of all these responsibilities, in my capacity as certifying officer of the responsible entity.

Signature of Certifying Officer of the Responsible Entity X <i>Marion Ashley</i>	Title of Certifying Officer Marion Ashley, Chairman, Riverside County Board of Supervisors
	Date signed 6/30/15

Address of Certifying Officer

c/o Riverside County EDA: 5555 Arlington Avenue, Riverside, CA 92504

Part 3. To be completed when the Recipient is not the Responsible Entity

The recipient requests the release of funds for the programs and activities identified in Part 1 and agrees to abide by the special conditions, procedures and requirements of the environmental review and to advise the responsible entity of any proposed change in the scope of the project or any change in environmental conditions in accordance with 24 CFR 58.71(b).

Signature of Authorized Officer of the Recipient X <i>Marion Ashley</i>	Title of Authorized Officer Marion Ashley, Chairman, Riverside County Board of Commissioners
	Date signed 6/30/15

Warning: HUD will prosecute false claims and statements. Conviction may result in criminal and/or civil penalties. (18 U.S.C. 1001, 1010, 1012; 31 U.S.C. 3729, 3802)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

June 12, 2015

Riverside County Economic Development Agency
5555 Arlington Avenue
Riverside, California 92504

(951) 343-5455 Stephanie Adams

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS, AND PERSONS:

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the County of Riverside. Any individual, group or agency submitting comments should specify in their comments which "notice" their comments address.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about June 30, 2015, the County of Riverside will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Los Angeles Field Office for the release of HUD VASH Project Based Vouchers through the Housing Authority of the County of Riverside (HACR), to undertake the following project:

PROJECT NAME: March Veterans Village

PURPOSE: The project activity includes the allocation of 75 HUD-VASH Project Based Vouchers to be utilized by the Coachella Valley Housing Coalition, a non-profit public benefit corporation, to serve as a rental subsidy for March Veterans Village. March Veterans Village will consist of the construction of a 138-unit apartment complex for veterans located on March Air Reserve Base. The proposed project will consist of 116 efficiency units, 6 one-bedroom units and 16 two bedroom units. The efficiency units are approximately 382 square-feet, the one bedroom units are approximately 641 square feet and the two bedroom units are approximately 950 square feet. In addition to the housing units the proposed project will consist of two tot-lots, an amphitheater, basketball court, laundry facilities, barbeque areas, and a 3,000 square foot community room. The apartment units will be rented to low-income veterans and their families and provide the veteran(s) and their families a variety of supportive services designed to ease the transition back into civilian life.

LOCATION: The project site is comprised of 3 contiguous parcels totaling approximately 7.34 acres, located at 15305 6th Street, March Air Reserve Base, Moreno Valley, CA 92551, with the following Assessor Parcel Numbers:

294-080-006, 007, and 008

This activity may be undertaken over multiple years.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The County of Riverside 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 Assessment (EA) on file at the Housing Authority of the County of Riverside at 5555 Arlington Avenue, Riverside, California 92504. The EA may be examined or copied between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except in the event of a holiday.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the EA and the Request for Release of Funds to the Riverside Economic Development Agency Housing Division, Attention Stephanie Adams at 5555 Arlington Avenue, Riverside, California 92504. All comments received at the address specified above on or before June 29, 2015 will be considered by the County of Riverside prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The County of Riverside certifies to the HUD Los Angeles Field Office that Marion Ashley in his capacity as the Chairman of the County of Riverside Board of Supervisors 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 appro-

val or the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Housing Authority of the County of Riverside to allocate Project Based Vouchers for March Veterans Village on behalf of the County of Riverside.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the County of Riverside'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 County of Riverside;
- b. the County of Riverside 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, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to the HUD Los Angeles Field Office at 611 W. 6th Street, Suite 800, Los Angeles, California 90017. Objections to the release of funds on a basis other than those stated above will not be considered by HUD.

Potential objectors should contact the HUD Environmental Officer, HUD Los Angeles Field Office (tel. 213-894-8000 or via fax 213-894-8122) to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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