

# NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

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## REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about **July 9, 2024**, Cuyahoga County Department of Housing and Community Development will, per requirements described by the U.S. Treasury, follow the HOME guidelines to submit a request to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Emergency Rental Assistance Program funds (ERA 2) to participate in funding the projects described below:

**Depot on Detroit** is a 60-unit new construction of a four-story multi-family building. There will be sixty (60) one, two, and three-bedroom apartment units for families at or below 60% of the area median income. The project is transit-oriented as it is located on the RTA Red Commuter Line in the Edgewater-Cudell neighborhood. The project will be constructed at 10300 Detroit Ave, Cleveland, Ohio 44102. Total project financing is \$18,429,484.00 of which Cuyahoga County is providing \$1 million of Emergency Rental Assistance 2 funding (ERA 2).

**The Northern Ohio Blanket Mills**, located one block south of the Clark Avenue and Fulton Road intersection, is a historic preservation/adaptive reuse project that will turn the largest vacant property in the Clark-Fulton neighborhood into 60 multi-family affordable housing units. The supportive service provider will offer programming for primary and mental health care, high quality early childhood education, and job training services to the Blanket Mills' tenants and the greater Clark-Fulton Community. The former manufacturing building will include a mix of one, two- and three-bedroom units available to those in the community with incomes of 60% of the Area Median Income or less and supported by Section 8 Place-Based Rental Vouchers. The project will be constructed at 3160 W. 33<sup>rd</sup> Street (Clark Ave and Fulton Rd) Cleveland, Ohio 44109. Total project financing is \$39,887,987.00 of which Cuyahoga County is providing \$1 million of ERA 2 funding.

**Puritas Senior** is an affordable housing project for seniors is a 3-story, 48-unit building located at 14410 Puritas Ave Cleveland Ohio 44135. The project is being develop in partnership with Lakewood Senior Citizens, Inc. Puritas Senior Apts. will provide wholistic, service-oriented housing for the senior tenant population, providing residents with a wide-array of health, wellness and socialization services. The proposed project will serve seniors aged 55 and older, who have incomes between 30% and 70% AMI. Total project financing is \$14,370,844.00 in which Cuyahoga County is providing \$1 million of ERA 2 funding.

**Cuyahoga TAY** is a 50-unit, new construction supportive housing building designed to serve young adults ages 18-24 experiencing homelessness. This development has been planned based on data and strong qualitative input from partners in order to maximize benefits to the youth and young adult residents of the County who are experiencing homelessness, and to the community in the Goodrich-Kirtland Park/St. Clair Superior neighborhood, more specifically, 1415 E. 45<sup>th</sup> Street Cleveland, Ohio 44103. Total project financing is \$12,318,845.00 in which Cuyahoga County is providing \$600K of ERA 2 funding.

For the purpose of compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act, the Cuyahoga County Department of Housing and Community Development's contributions of \$1 million, \$1 million, \$1 million, and \$600K of

ERA 2 funds to Depot on Detroit, Blanket Mills, Puritas Senior, and Cuyahoga TAY is being submitted to the public notification and clearance process.

### **FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

The **Cuyahoga County Department of Housing and Community Development** has determined that the projects will not have a 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) for the project on file at the **Cuyahoga County Department of Housing and Community Development** for review and may be examined or copied weekdays **8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.**

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the projects may submit written comments to **Christopher Ronayne, County Executive, c/o the Cuyahoga County Department of Housing and Community Development, Attn: Prentis Jackson Jr., Senior Housing Development Specialist**. All comments received by close of business on **July 8, 2024**, will be considered by the **Cuyahoga County Department of Housing and Community Development** prior to submitting a request for release of funds.

### **RELEASE OF FUNDS**

The **Cuyahoga County Department of Housing and Community Development** certifies to HUD/U.S. Treasury that Christopher Ronayne in his capacity as County Executive 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 County to use ERA 2 funds on the projects.

### **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

HUD/U.S. Treasury will accept objections to its release of funds and the Cuyahoga County Department of Housing and Community Development'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 Responsible Entity, RE; (b) the RE 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 via email in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Community Planning & Development at [CPDColumbusRROF@hud.gov](mailto:CPDColumbusRROF@hud.gov). Potential objectors should contact HUD/U.S. Treasury via email to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW RECORD (ERR)**

The Environmental Review Record (ERR) for **Depot on Detroit** is available for Public Review via <https://www.onecpd.info/environmental-review/environmental-review-records>

The Environmental Review Record (ERR) for **Northern Ohio Blanket Mills** is available for Public Review via <https://www.onecpd.info/environmental-review/environmental-review-records>

The Environmental Review Record (ERR) for **Puritas Senior** is available for Public Review via <https://www.onecpd.info/environmental-review/environmental-review-records>

The Environmental Review Record (ERR) for **Cuyahoga TAY** is available for Public Review via <https://www.onecpd.info/environmental-review/environmental-review-records>