



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
WASHINGTON, DC 20410-7000

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY PLANNING
AND DEVELOPMENT

April 30, 2025

The Honorable Richard Cortez
County Judge of Hidalgo County
Hidalgo County
100 E Cano Street
2nd Floor
Edinburg, TX 78539-3304

Dear Judge Cortez:

In 2021, the Department of Housing and Urban Development’s (HUD or the Department) Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD) allocated \$5 billion appropriated by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) of 2021 to HOME Investment Partnerships Program participating jurisdictions. These funds, known as “HOME-ARP,” are intended to give you the financial tools to assist your most vulnerable citizens by providing housing, shelter, tenant-based rental assistance, and supportive services for persons experiencing or at risk of homelessness, fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, and other populations at greatest risk of housing instability.

While conducting recent quality control efforts, the Department discovered an administrative error in the allocations of the HOME-ARP funds. This error resulted in your jurisdiction inadvertently being allocated less HOME-ARP funds than it was legally entitled to receive. Specifically, the Department determined that your jurisdiction received \$11,166.00 less in its HOME-ARP allocation than it should have. This letter notifies you of the corrected amount of your HOME-ARP award.

Original HOME-ARP Award	Additional Allocation Amount	Revised HOME-ARP Award
\$7,461,494.00	\$11,166.00	\$7,472,660.00

Attached is an amended HOME-ARP grant agreement for your agency’s signature, indicating the additional amount you are entitled to and your final corrected amount. Please sign this agreement and return it to your CPD Representative. Please note: Build America, Buy America provisions continue to be waived for HOME-ARP.

Additionally, you must amend your HOME-ARP allocation plan to include the correct amount of HOME-ARP funds in accordance with HUD Notice CPD-21-10 and your citizen participation plan. Depending upon the criteria for substantial amendments established in your citizen participation plan, you may be required to develop a substantial amendment to the HOME-ARP allocation plan.

The requirements for substantial amendments can be found in section V.C.6 of HUD Notice CPD-21-10. The Department can assist you in determining what may be required to be included in a substantial amendment.

The Department regrets this error and apologizes for any inconvenience it may cause. We are working hard to make this process as seamless as possible for all affected recipients. If you or your staff wish to discuss this correction or have any questions about HOME-ARP, please contact your local HUD Field Office or HUD's Office of Affordable Housing Programs at HOMEARP@hud.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Fernandez", written in a cursive style.

Claudette Fernandez
General Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Community Planning and Development