



Anoka County
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION
Community & Governmental Relations

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April 25, 2022

City of Ramsey
ATTN: Kurt Ulrich, City Administrator
7550 Sunwood Drive NW
Ramsey, MN 55303

BY: U.S. Mail & Email

RE: 2023-2025 Urban County Requalification for participation in the following HUD Programs:
-CDBG (Community Development Block Grant Program); and
-HOME (HOME Investment Partnerships Program)

Dear Mr. Ulrich,

Every three years Anoka County must complete an Urban Requalification process to continue receiving and administering HUD funds from the CDBG and HOME programs. We are currently preparing our requalification for federal fiscal years 2023 through 2025; and the county is required to notify participating communities of their option to be excluded from Anoka County's "Urban County" funding cycles for the next three years. ***A written response from the city is required in the form of a letter (on city letterhead) and/or Resolution. HUD wants original wet signatures, so emails are not acceptable for this request.***

If you choose to OPT-IN and remain a participant with Anoka County, the following will apply:

- The grant process for your city will remain the same as it is now for CDBG and HOME programs; AND
- Your city will continue to be ineligible to apply for individual grants through the HUD Small Cities or State CDBG and HOME programs; AND
- The current *Cooperation Agreement* will automatically renew for another three-year period.

If you choose to OPT-OUT and NOT remain a participant with Anoka County, the following will apply:

- Your city will be able to apply for grants individually through the HUD Small Cities or State CDBG and HOME programs, BUT you will not be eligible to receive funds through Anoka County for federal fiscal years 2023 through 2025; AND
- If you elect to be excluded this will be effective for the entire 3-year period for which Anoka County qualifies unless you specifically elect to be included in a subsequent year for the remainder of the county's 3-year qualification period.



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Please notify Anoka County (by letter and/or Resolution) no later than May 31, 2022, of your intent to continue (Opt-In) OR terminate (Opt-Out) the *Cooperation Agreement* currently in effect. Failure to respond means your city will be considered a participant in Anoka County's funding process for HUD's 2023-2025 fiscal years. Mail your notification to: AC Community and Government Relations

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If you'd like to receive a scanned copy of the *Cooperative Agreement* to review or if you have any questions, please contact me at 763-324-4601 or linda.hedstrom@co.anoka.mn.us.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Linda Hedstrom
Associate CD Specialist

cc: Brian Hagen, Community Development Director