

## American Rescue Plan Community Benefit Grant Agreement

This Grant Agreement (“Agreement”) is made as of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024 (“Effective Date”), between the County of Yolo a political subdivision of the State of California (“COUNTY”), and New Hope Community Development Corporation, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation (“BENEFICIARY”).

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Grant Award.
  - a. COUNTY hereby agrees to provide financial assistance to BENEFICIARY in the amount of \$50,000 solely for the purposes of funding the project or uses described in Attachment A, BENEFICIARY’s “ARP Proposal” (“Project”).
  - b. Funding shall be provided as a single lump sum within 30 calendar days of the Effective Date.
2. BENEFICIARY Obligations. BENEFICIARY agrees that all funds provided by the COUNTY under this Agreement will be held by the BENEFICIARY and applied solely toward the Project. To that end, the funds will be specifically earmarked and reserved for Project and will not be made available or used for other BENEFICIARY functions or general agency purposes and any other use of said funding is prohibited. Failure to spend the funds in accordance with the terms of this Agreement shall constitute a default and COUNTY may require the repayment of funds awarded in addition to any other remedies allowed by law.
3. Status of BENEFICIARY.
  - a. BENEFICIARY and BENEFICIARY’s contractors, subcontractors, and other vendors shall act in an independent capacity and not as employees, partners, officers or agents of COUNTY.
  - b. BENEFICIARY certifies that neither the entity, nor its principals or affiliates, are excluded or disqualified from receiving federal funds.
4. Records. BENEFICIARY shall keep, and provide to COUNTY or its agents, upon request, accurate financial records necessary to enable COUNTY to review BENEFICIARY’s performance of this Agreement. These records shall demonstrate the grant funding has been used for the Project. BENEFICIARY shall maintain all such records for at least five years from the Effective Date.
5. Civil Rights Compliance; Nondiscrimination. By signing this Agreement, BENEFICIARY certifies that it will comply with all legal requirements relating to nondiscrimination and nondiscriminatory use of Federal funds, including that BENEFICIARY shall not deny benefits or services, or otherwise discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin (including limited English proficiency), disability, age, or sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity), in accordance with the following authorities: Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI) Public Law 88-352, 42 U.S.C. 2000d-1 et seq., and the U.S. Treasury Department’s implementing

regulations, 31 CFR part 22; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504), Public Law 93-112, as amended by Public Law 93-516, 29 U.S.C. 794; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), 20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq., and the Department's implementing regulations, 31 CFR part 28; Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Public Law 94-135, 42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq., and the U.S. Treasury Department implementing regulations at 31 CFR part 23.

6. General Terms and Conditions.

- a. As between COUNTY and BENEFICIARY, BENEFICIARY is solely responsible for full and timely compliance with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations pertaining to completion of the Project. This includes, but is not limited to, compliance with state prevailing wage laws (Labor Code §§ 1720 et seq.). COUNTY's sole obligation under this Agreement is to provide funding to BENEFICIARY in the amount, time, and manner specified herein.
- b. If for any reason BENEFICIARY later elects not to proceed with the Project, the BENEFICIARY will refund to the COUNTY all funding provided under this Agreement.
- c. BENEFICIARY agrees to indemnify, defend, protect, hold harmless, and release COUNTY, its governing body, agents, officers and employees, from and against any and all claims, losses, proceedings, damages, causes of action, liability, costs, or expenses (including attorney's fees and witness costs) arising from or in connection with BENEFICIARY's performance of the Project.
- d. BENEFICIARY shall not assign or transfer any interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the COUNTY, and any attempt by a BENEFICIARY to so assign or transfer this Agreement without the COUNTY's consent shall be void and of no effect.
- e. The waiver by either party or any of its officers, agents or employees, or the failure of either party or its officers, agents or employees to take action with respect to any right conferred by, or any breach of any obligation or responsibility of this Agreement, will not be deemed to be a waiver of such obligation or responsibility, or subsequent breach of same, or of any terms, covenants or conditions of this Agreement.
- f. The persons executing this Agreement on behalf of the parties affirmatively represent that each has the requisite legal authority to enter this Agreement on behalf of their respective party, and to bind their respective party to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- g. This Agreement is not intended to, and will not be construed to, create any right on the part of a third party to bring an action to enforce any of its terms.

- h. This Agreement may only be amended in writing executed by COUNTY and BENEFICIARY.
- i. This Agreement shall be construed under and in accordance with the laws of the State of California. The construction and interpretation of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of California with venue residing in Yolo County, except to the extent an issue may be governed by federal law.
- j. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties with respect to funding contributions and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or other agreements, whether written or oral. In the event of a dispute between the parties as to the language of this Agreement or the construction or meaning of any term hereof, this Agreement will be deemed to have been drafted by the parties in equal parts so that no presumptions or inferences concerning its terms or interpretation may be construed against any party to this Agreement.
- k. BENEFICIARY understands and acknowledges that United States Code Title 31, Section 3729, Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements, applies to this Award.
- l. BENEFICIARY agrees that the Federal Government is not a party to this Agreement and is not subject to any obligations or liability to the BENEFICIARY, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from this funding award.

This Agreement is hereby executed on the day and year first above written.

BENEFICIARY

  
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Ian Evans, President/CEO  
New Hope Community Development Corp.

COUNTY OF YOLO

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Tonia Murphy, Procurement Manager

## EXHIBIT A

### Description of Project

Yolo County Housing was established in 1950 with the mission to provide quality affordable housing and community development countywide. Our primary programs are funded through the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and through the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). One of our core programs is public housing and 124 of our 431 units are at our El Rio Villas property in Winters, just across the freeway from the PG&E Gas Safety Academy.

Our public housing units at El Rio house some of the most vulnerable residents in Yolo County; 75% of the head of households fall into the category of extremely low income meaning they make 0-30% of the area medium income, and almost 70% bring in less than \$25,000 annually. Additionally, more than 50% of households have children, and while we receive annual funding from HUD to operate and maintain our public housing sites, annually we receive less than 10% of the funding needed to ensure all our capital and facility infrastructure needs are met. This means that each year we must make decisions around critical infrastructure projects and projects which enhance the community, like new playgrounds.

One of the unmet needs for several years has been replacing the playground for the children who live at El Rio Villas after it had to be torn down due to safety issues several years ago. A \$50,000 investment would greatly help match our HUD funding and contributions from other sources to fund a playground for the children living at El Rio Villa.

Please note that New Hope Community Development Corporation LLC is Yolo County Housing's 501c3 entity. New Hope is in place to support affordable housing in Yolo County, including project Yolo County Housing is directly involved in such as this playground.

We believe the El Rio Villas residents are a vital part of the Winters community, and this new playground structure will benefit the health and wellness of these valued community members. Thank you for your consideration.