MEMORANDUM

Date: September 11, 2019

To: The Honorable Chairman and Members From: C.H. Huckelberry
Pima County Board of Supervisors County Administrator

Re: Joint Pima County/City of Tucson HUD Five-Year Consolidated Plan Community Discussions

Background
Every five years Pima County and the City of Tucson conduct a joint community planning process to secure US Housing and Urban Development (HUD) entitlement funding. The purpose of the HUD Consolidated Plan is to identify human services, community development and affordable housing needs in an effort to solicit meaningful community input to prioritize the available HUD funds; collectively estimated at more than $50 million over the next five years. For Pima County the federal funds covered by the Consolidated Plan include the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and the Emergency Solutions Grant resources currently prioritized to assist low- to moderate-income persons in unincorporated Pima County, Oro Valley, Marana, South Tucson and Sahuarita. The City of Tucson prioritizes its HUD resources within city limits.

Discussion
Effective community outreach and public participation are essential to the success of the HUD Consolidated Plan. Moreover, an engaged community ensures a transparent and equitable distribution of funds for the benefit of both City and County residents. As such, City of Tucson and Pima County staff have been working with local agencies and community groups to finalize a series of forums to discuss how best to address homelessness, affordable housing and neighborhood issues with limited HUD resources.

Please see attached City of Tucson/Pima County Five-Year Consolidated Plan Community Discussion Forum Schedule for consideration and distribution to community groups and other interested constituents. Respective staff have actively been promoting the forums in advance of this memorandum. In addition to next week’s forums, a website and community survey has also been developed for stakeholder consideration at www.pima.gov/ConsolidatedPlan.

For additional information, please contact either Daniel Tylutki, Interim Director or Joel Gastelum, Program Manager with the Community Development and Neighborhood Conservation Department at (520) 724-3777.

Attachment

c: Jan Lesher, Chief Deputy County Administrator
Daniel Tylutki, Interim Director, Community Development and Neighborhood Conservation
Joel Gastelum, Program Manager, Community Development and Neighborhood Conservation
What kind of community do you want?

Pima County and the City of Tucson want to hear your priorities for millions in federal housing funds.

Community Forums:
Homelessness and Housing
September 17 • 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Institutions, Investments, and Neighborhood Preservation
September 18 • 1 - 8 p.m.
City of Tucson Resource Campus,
320 N. Commerce Park Loop

Rural Roundtable
September 19 • 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Pima County Ellie Towne Community Center,
1660 W. Ruthrauff Rd.

Take the Residents Survey:

More Information:
www.pima.gov/ConsolidatedPlan
What kinds of community improvements and services would you like to see in Tucson in the coming years?

The City of Tucson and Pima County are in the process of setting priorities for over $50 million in Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding for neighborhood and community development projects, affordable housing opportunities, and human service programs and resources to address homelessness and help special needs populations such as families living with HIV/AIDS and domestic violence survivors.

To share information and get your input we will be hosting a series of public discussions regarding the use of HUD funds during the next five years. The public discussions will take place from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. September 17, 2019, and from 1:00 PM to 8:00 PM. September 18, 2019, at the City of Tucson Resource Campus, 320 North Commerce Park Loop. Discussions with a rural-focus will take place on September 19 from 10 AM to 3:30 PM at the Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center, 1660 W. Ruthrauff Rd. You need not attend every discussion, look at the schedule below and go where your interests lead you!

Tuesday September 17, 2019
City of Tucson Resource Center; Sabino/Rillito Room
320 N Commerce Park Loop; Tucson, AZ 85745

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Low-barrier Shelter and Housing

Low-barrier shelter and housing accept people as they are and provide a safe place for those who may have no other options. The nonprofit and private sectors have implemented successful approaches to low-barrier shelter and housing, yet expanding low-barrier shelter and housing availability remains a challenge.

1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
Homelessness Prevention and Housing Stability for Vulnerable Populations

There are many pathways into and out of homelessness. While people experiencing homelessness share the common problem of a lack of access to safe, decent affordable housing, service providers are increasingly recognizing that understanding the distinct challenges of youth, previously-incarcerated people, and very-low income households can help to ensure the appropriate supports and services are provided.
3:00 – 4:30 p.m.
**Preventing Repeat Homelessness**

New research, innovation, and best practices have all contributed to reducing homelessness, yet many once-homeless individuals find themselves re-experiencing homelessness after a period of housing stability. The health, justice, child protection, and systems all play a major role in housing stability and taking joint responsibility to work together can help reduce repeat homelessness.

**Wednesday September 18, 2019**
City of Tucson Resource Center; Sabino/Rillito Room
320 N Commerce Park Loop; Tucson, AZ 85745

**1:00 – 2:30 p.m.**
**Mixed-income and Workforce Housing**

Mixed-income and workforce housing approaches can help to get additional permanently-affordable units built, ensure high-quality housing, and deconcentrate poverty. Yet mixed-income development is complex, presents unique risks, and may ultimately house fewer low-income families. Community context, the local housing market, financing options, whether to develop for rental or ownership, and who will be served are essential considerations.

**3:00 – 4:30 p.m.**
**Anchor Institutions and Investments**

Anchor institutions such as hospitals, universities, corporations and large nonprofits play a pivotal role in employing people at multiple employment levels, improving schools, and supporting civic, cultural and business opportunities. These institutions can play a vital role in providing neighborhood housing, and learning and economic opportunities.

**6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**
**The Role of HUD Funding in Neighborhood Preservation**

Learn how HUD and related resources have been invested in Tucson and Pima County over the past three years and share your thoughts and ideas about using those resources to preserve neighborhood and community character and build new opportunities for residents.

**Thursday September 19, 2019**
Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center
1660 W. Ruthruaff Rd., Tucson, AZ 85705

**10:00 – 11:15 a.m.**
**Rural Community Needs Round Table Discussion**
Join a discussion of the challenges of homelessness outreach and services in small towns and rural areas.

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<td>Schools can be an important and centralized location for services for families. Join us for a school field trip and brief tour of the Flowing Wells Family Resource Center and learn about how they serve the community.</td>
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<td>Multi-purpose centers can provide essential services to vulnerable residents while improving the community economy, and health, cultural, technological and education outcomes. Join us for a tour of the Flowing Wells Family Resource Center, Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center, and Flowing Well Library and learn how these facilities are designed to provide a range of services and opportunities.</td>
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