



MEMORANDUM

Subject: 5-year Consolidated Plan Community Discussions

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 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. 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 19th from 10a.m. to 3:30p.m. at the Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center, 1660 W. Ruthruaff 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

<p>10:00 – 11:30 a.m.</p>
<p>Low-barrier Shelter and Housing</p> <p>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.</p>
<p>1:00 – 2:30 p.m.</p>
<p>Homelessness Prevention and Housing Stability for Vulnerable Populations</p> <p>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.</p>
<p>3:00 – 4:30 p.m.</p>
<p>Preventing Repeat Homelessness</p> <p>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</p>

role in housing stability and taking joint responsibility to work together can help reduce repeat homelessness.

Wednesday September 18, 2019

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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 Roundtable Discussion

Join a discussion of the challenges of homelessness outreach and services in small towns and rural areas.

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Improving Access to Healthy Food / Local Food Eco-systems

Access to healthy food is essential to the health and productivity of community residents and consequently to the overall health of the community. Access to healthy foods is increased when local food production, processing, distribution and retail work together to build strong markets for healthy foods.

1:15 – 1:45 p.m.

Centralizing Resources

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.

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Multi-purpose / Hybrid Facilities

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 Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center and learn how this center was designed to provide a range of services and opportunities.

