

## STATEMENT OF ASSURANCES

(Revised January 15, 2004)

The County of El Dorado hereby assures and certifies that:

1. It possesses legal authority to apply for the grant and to execute the proposed program.
2. Its governing body has duly adopted or passed as an official act or resolution, motion, or similar action authorizing the filing of the application, including all understandings and assurances contained therein, and directing and authorizing the applicant's chief executive officer or other designee to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as may be required.
3. It has or will comply with all citizen participation requirements that include, at a minimum, the following components:
  - a. Provides for and encourages citizen participation, with particular emphasis on participation by persons of low and moderate income who are residents of slum and blight areas and of areas where CDBG funds are proposed to be used, and provides for participation of residents in low and moderate income neighborhoods as defined by the local jurisdiction;
  - b. Provides citizens with reasonable and timely access to local meetings, information, and records relating to the grantee's proposed use of funds, as required by CDBG federal regulations, and relating to the actual use of funds under this title;
  - c. Provides for technical assistance to groups representative of persons of low and moderate income that request such assistance in developing proposals with the level and type of assistance to be determined by the grantee;
  - d. Provides for public hearings to obtain citizen views and to respond to proposals and questions at all stages of the community development program. These include at least the development of needs, the review of proposed activities, and review of program performance. Hearings shall be held after adequate notice, at times and locations convenient to potential or actual beneficiaries and with accommodation for the handicapped. This shall include one public meeting during the program design, annual performance report preparation, and formal amendments. A public hearing shall be conducted prior to application submittal;

- e. Solicits and provides for a timely written answer to written complaints and grievances, within 15 working days where practicable; and
  - f. Identifies how the needs of non-English speaking residents will be met in the case of public hearings where a significant number of non-English speaking residents can reasonably be expected to participate.
4. The State CDBG Program has been developed so as to primarily benefit targeted income persons and households, and each activity in the program meets one of the three national objectives: benefit to low and moderate income persons, elimination of slums and blight, or meets an urgent community need certified by the grantee as such.
  5. Consents to assume the responsibilities for environmental review and decision-making in order to ensure compliance with NEPA by following the procedures for recipients of block grant funds as set forth in 24 CFR, Part 58, entitled Environmental Review Procedures for Title I Community Development Block Grant Programs. Also included in this requirement is compliance with Executive Order 11988 relating to the evaluation of flood hazards, and Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (Public Law 93-234) regarding purchase of flood insurance, and the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (16 USC 470) and implementing regulations (36 CFR 800.8).
  6. Consents to assume the role of either Lead Agency as defined by Section 21067 of the California Public Resources Code, or if another agency is or will be designated Lead Agency, it consents to assume the role of Responsible Agency as defined by Section 21069 of the California Public Resources Code, in order to ensure compliance with CEQA.
  7. Has resolved any audit findings or performance problems for prior State CDBG grants awarded by the State.
  8. Certifies that there is no plan, ordinance, or other measure in effect that directly limits, by number, the building permits that may be used for residential construction or the buildable lots that may be developed for residential purposes; or if such a plan, ordinance, or measure is in effect, it will either be rescinded before receiving funds, or it need not be rescinded because:
    - a. Imposes a moratorium on residential construction, to protect the health and safety, for a specified period of time that will end when the public health and safety is no longer jeopardized; or

- b. Creates agricultural preserves under Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 51200) of Part 2 of Division 1 of Title 5 of the Government Code; or
  - c. Was adopted pursuant to a specific requirement of a State or multi-State board, agency, department, or commission; or
  - d. The applicant has an adopted housing element that the Department has found to be in compliance, unless a final order has been used by a court where the court determined that it is not in compliance with Article 10.6 of Chapter 3 of Division 1 of Title 7 of the Government Code; or
  - e. The use of the funds applied for in this application is restricted for housing for the targeted income group.
9. Will comply with the regulations, policies, guidelines, and requirements of OMB Circular Numbers A-87, A-133, A-122, and 24 CFR Part 85, where appropriate, and the State CDBG regulations.
10. Shall comply with the following regarding nondiscrimination:
- a. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Public Law 88-352).
  - b. Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Public Law 90-284) as amended; and will administer all programs and activities related to housing and community development in a manner affirmatively furthering fair housing.
  - c. Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.
  - d. Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended.
  - e. Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Orders 11375 and 12086.
  - f. Executive Order 11063, as amended by Executive Order 12259.
  - g. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Public Law 93-112), as amended, and implementing regulations.
  - h. The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (Public Law 94-135).

- i. The prospective contractor's signature affixed hereon and dated shall constitute a certification under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the bidder has, unless exempted, complied with the nondiscrimination program requirements of Government Code Section 12990 and Title 2, California Code of Regulations, Section 8103.
11. Will comply with the Federal Relocation Act (42 U.S.C. 4601 et seq.) and certifies that will follow the State's residential anti-displacement and relocation plan located in Appendix L of the State's 2005-2010 Consolidated Plan. The Plan can be found at: <http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/rep/fed/conplan05-10final.pdf>.
12. Will comply with the following regarding labor standards:
  - a. Section 110 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.
  - b. Section 1720 et seq. of the California Labor Code regarding public works labor standards.
  - c. Davis-Bacon Act as amended (46 U.S.C. 276a) regarding prevailing wage rates.
  - d. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 USC 327-333) regarding overtime compensation.
  - e. Anti-Kickback Act of 1934 (18 USC 874) prohibiting "kickbacks" of wages in federally assisted construction activities.
13. Will comply with the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (42 USC 4151) and implementing regulations (24 CFR Part 40-41).
14. It will enforce standards of conduct that govern the performance of its officers, employees, and agents engaged in the administration of contracts funded in whole or in part by the CDBG Program (Section 7120(d) of the State regulations).
15. Will comply with the Hatch Act (5 USC 1501 et seq.) regarding political activity of employees.
16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Regulations (24 CFR Part 35) that prohibits the use of lead-based paint on projects funded by the program.
17. Will not award contracts to, or otherwise engage the services of any contractor while that contractor (or its principals) is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily

excluded from participation from the covered transaction, in any proposal submitted in connection with the CDBG program under the provisions of 24 CFR part 24.

18. Will give HUD, the Comptroller General, the State Department of Housing and Community Development, or any of their authorized representatives access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the grant.
19. Will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted in whole or in part with CDBG funds by assessing properties owned and occupied by targeted income persons unless:
  - a. CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of such assessment that relates to non-CDBG funding or
  - b. for the purposes of assessing properties owned and occupied by targeted income persons who are not of the lowest targeted income group, it does not have sufficient CDBG funds to comply with the provisions of a. above.
20. Will adopt and enforce policies
  - a. prohibiting the use of excessive force by its law enforcement agencies against individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations and
  - b. enforcing applicable State and local law against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location that is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstration within its jurisdiction.

The certification is made under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California.

CERTIFYING OFFICIAL TITLE: Helen K. Bauman  
Chairman, El Dorado County Board of Supervisors

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Signature

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Date