

**CITY OF ARVIN
PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Arvin will conduct a public hearing on JULY 14, 2020 at 6:00pm, at the Arvin City Council Chambers located at 200 Campus Drive Arvin, CA 93203 (via teleconference), in order to discuss an applications for funding under the California Department of Housing and Community Development Department Permanent Local Housing Allocation Program and to solicit citizen input on the City's proposed five-year plan activities to be included in the application.

PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: July 14, 2020

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Arvin City Council Chambers (via teleconference)
200 Campus Drive Arvin, CA 93203

CALL IN NUMBER: 1-866-899-4679; ACCESS CODE: 940-472-245#

TO JOIN: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/940472245>

COVID-19 NOTE: These meetings will be held by telephone consistent with the Governor's Executive Order N-25-20 and N-29-20 issued on March 18, 2020. The purpose of this is to provide a safe environment for staff and the public to conduct City business, while allowing for public participation. These meetings will be held by teleconference only unless the emergency has been lifted before the meeting date. Members of the public are encouraged to participate by phone or email at cvela@arvin.org or by submitting written comments at City Hall prior to the hearing. At least 72 hours before the meeting the Agenda will be posted at <https://www.arvin.org/government/clerk/meeting-agendas-minutes/documents-page/>. Please check the Agenda for additional ways to participate in this matter.

The \$195 million in Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) was published in a "Notice of Funding Availability" (NOFA) February 26, 2020. Entitlement and Non-entitlement local governments are eligible for a predefined formula allocation as defined in the 2020 NOFA. The City of Arvin's annual allocation is set at \$138,593 for a five-year total of \$831,563.

The PLHA NOFA is a noncompetitive application that must be used to carry out one or more eligible activities that with prioritize investments that increase the supply of housing for households with incomes at or below 60 percent of AMI, and are consistent with the program set forth in the local governments Housing Element. Local governments must a five-year plan identifying the proposed activities and the percentage for funding that will be allocated to each, the number of households to be served at each income level, the period of affordability and level of affordability for each activity.

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES UNDER THE ABOVE ALLOCATION IN THE 2020 NOFA CONSIST OF: PREDEVELOPMENT, DEVELOPMENT, ACQUISITION, REHABILITATION AND PRESERVATION OF MULTIFAMILY, RESIDENTIAL LIVE-WORK, RENTAL HOUSING THAT IS AFFORDABLE TO EXTREMELY LOW-, VERY LOW-, OR MODERATE-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS, INCLUDING NECESSARY OPERATING SUBSIDIES; PREDEVELOPMENT, DEVELOPMENT, ACQUISITION, REHABILITATION, AND PRESERVATION OF AFFORDABLE RENTAL AND OWNERSHIP HOUSING, INCLUDING ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS, MATCH PORTIONS OF FUNDS INTO LOCAL OR REGIONAL HOUSING TRUST FUND, AND/OR LOW- AND MODERATE HOUSING ASSET FUND; CAPITALIZE RESERVES FOR SERVICES CONNECTED TO THE PRESERVATION AND CREATION OF NEW PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING; ASSIST PERSONS EXPERIENCING OR AT RISK OF HOMELESSNESS; ACCESSIBILITY MODIFICATIONS IN LOWER-INCOME OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING; EFFORTS TO ACQUIRE AND REHABILITATE FORECLOSED OR VACANT HOMES AND APARTMENTS; HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES; AND FISCAL INCENTIVES MADE BY A COUNTY TO A CITY WITHIN THE COUNTY TO INCENTIVIZE APPROVAL OF ONE OR MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS.

The City of Arvin anticipates submitting an application under the NOFA published February 26, 2020 for the full five-year allocation of \$831,563. The plan will utilize funding provided to assist households affected by COVID with financial assistance for rent, mortgage and utilities in year one and will provide financing to low-income property owners to develop or rehabilitate an existing accessory dwelling unit in years two through five.

The purpose of this public hearing is to give the public an opportunity to make their comments known regarding what types of eligible activities the City of Arvin should include in the PLHA five year plan and to discuss and approve the proposed plan and application prior to submittal to the State.

If you require special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, please contact Pawan Gill, Director of Administrative Services, City of Arvin, 200 Campus Drive Arvin, CA 93203, or you may telephone (661) 854-3134. In addition, the proposed plan is available for review at the City of Arvin's website at www.arvin.org.

If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the City of Arvin, 200 Campus Drive Arvin, CA 93203, or you may telephone Pawan Gill (661) 854-3134. In addition, information is available for review at the above address between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday – Friday.

The City of Arvin promotes fair housing and makes all its programs available to low- and moderate-income families regardless of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual preference, marital status or handicap.

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