

June 9, 2020

Charles Maynard, City Manager
City of Desert Hot Springs
11999 Palm Drive
Desert Hot Springs, CA 92240

SUBJECT: Cooperation Agreement for Urban County Qualification 2021-2024; Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnerships Program, and Emergency Solutions Grant.

Dear Mr. Maynard:

This letter serves to confirm the City of Desert Hot Springs' election to participate in the County of Riverside's Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Solutions Grant, and HOME Urban County programs for Federal Fiscal Years 2021, 2022, and 2023 (July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2024).

Cities that have chosen to be included in the designation **must enter** into a cooperation agreement **no later than July 10, 2020**. During the three-year period beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2024, cities will not be allowed to withdraw from the County's urban program. Any unincorporated portion of the County that incorporates, or is annexed, during the qualification period will remain a part of the urban county through the end of the period.

Execution of the Cooperation Agreement and adoption of the resolution allows the City of Desert Hot Springs to participate in the County's CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs. Consequently, the City is **ineligible** to apply for grants under HUD's Small Cities (State CDBG) programs, and the City cannot receive funding through a HOME consortium, for the fiscal years during the period in which you are participating in the Urban County program.

The Cooperation Agreement complies with current HUD requirements and cannot be altered or modified. In addition, your City Council must adopt a resolution confirming participation in the County's program. We have enclosed a sample resolution; please incorporate **all of the text** contained in the sample into your City's resolution format.


Please return the following documents to EDA, no later than **July 10, 2020**:

- Executed *Cooperation Agreement* (3-originals);
- Resolution adopted by City Council confirming participation in the Urban County program; and

- Copy of the City Council minute order approving the *Cooperation Agreement*.

Your assistance in meeting the required deadline of **July 10, 2020**, is critical, as there will be no allowable extension beyond this date. If you have any questions, please contact Lailah Espritt at 951-955-5937 or laespritt@rivco.org.

Sincerely,



Susana Orozco
CDBG/ESG Programs

Enclosures: Cooperation Agreement and Sample Resolution