

**CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM
HOMELESS PREVENTION AND RAPID RE-HOUSING PROGRAM**

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE
FY 2008/09 CONSOLIDATED PLAN ANNUAL ACTION PLAN**

Notice is hereby given that the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors will consider the following matter: Proposed substantial amendment to the FY 2008/09 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan at the regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors meeting on May 12, 2009. The meeting will be held at approximately 9:30 a.m. in Room 107 of the County Administration Building, 651 Pine Street (corner of Pine and Escobar Streets), Martinez, California.

Proposed Substantial Amendment in the FY 2008/09 Annual Action Plan

On April 15, 2008, the Board of Supervisors approved the Contra Costa County Annual Action Plan for FY 2008/09 CDBG/HOME/ESG/HOPWA funds. On February 17, 2009, President Obama signed into law The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) which included a \$1.5 billion allocation nationally for a Homeless Prevention Fund. On March 19, 2009, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) published its Notice for the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP). HPRP is a formula grant made available to state and local governments participating in the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) program. Contra Costa County is eligible to receive a one-time grant of \$1,421,551 for a three-year period. HPRP funds can be used to provide homelessness prevention assistance to households who would otherwise become homeless and/or to provide assistance and housing relocation and stabilization services to individuals and families who are homeless or would be homeless but for this assistance. The County will submit to HUD the HPRP application that includes, among other things, how the HPRP funds may be allocated between Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing and estimated budget amounts for the four primary eligible activities: Financial Assistance, Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services, Data Collection and Evaluation, and Administration. After the County's HPRP application has been approved by HUD (expected by July 2, 2009), the County will release a Request for Proposal (RFP) soliciting applications from eligible entities to operate the HPRP program.

If you have any comments or questions, call or e-mail Robert Calkins, CDBG Program Manager, at (925) 335.7220, rcalk@cd.cccounty.us. The proposed HPRP application, and this notice can be accessed by going to the following web page: www.ccreach.org. The County will provide reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities planning to attend Board of Supervisors meetings who contact the Clerk of the Board at least 24 hours before the meeting at (925) 335-1900; TDD (925) 335-1915. An assisted listening device is available from the Clerk, Room 106. A telecommunications device for the deaf may be accessed by calling 711 and asking the Relay Service Operator for (925) 335.7200.