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MEMORANDUM

TO: Patrick O'Donnell, Clerk of the Legislature
FROM: Brian Gaskill, Consolidated Plan Coordinator
DATE: December 5, 2013
RE: 2014 Annual Action Plan

Enclosed is a copy of the Notice of Public Comment Period for Nebraska's Housing and Community Development Programs' Consolidated Plan. Please make the Plan available to Nebraska State Senators and staff.

Beginning on December 10, 2014, the Proposed AAP will be available on the Department of Economic Development's website at:

<http://www.neded.org/community/grants/documentslibrary-a-forms/annual-action-plan>

The AAP serves as an update to the Consolidate Plan and describes the eligible activities for the upcoming year and describes how funds will be distributed for the 2014 Program Year and covers:

1. The Department's eligible activities within community development, economic development, planning, housing, homeless, and special needs objectives; and
2. Distribution and use of approximately \$10 million in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, \$2.7 million in HOME funds, \$669,000 in Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds, \$328,000 in Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) funds, \$2.6 million in Homeless Shelter Assistance Trust Fund (HSATF) funds, and \$7.7 million in Nebraska Affordable Housing Trust Fund (NAHTF) funds, including the amounts used for activities benefiting persons of low- and moderate-income.

The official public comment period for the AAP is December 10, 2013 through January 10, 2014. The "Final" AAP must be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development by May 15, 2014.

If you or any members of your staff have questions about this report, or need any additional information or hard copies of the report, I can be reached at 402-471-2280 or by email at brian.gaskill@nebraska.gov.

Enclosure

Notice of Public Comment Period

The Nebraska Department of Economic Development (DED) will conduct a public comment period, that includes a public videoconference, on the *2014 Proposed Annual Action Plan* which concerns the distribution of approximately \$10 million in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, \$2.7 million in HOME Investment Partnerships Program funds, \$669,000 in Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG) funds, and \$328,000 in Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and \$2.6 million in Homeless Shelter Assistance Trust Fund (HSATF) funds, and \$7.7 million in Nebraska Affordable Housing Trust Fund (NAHTF) funds.

The Plan describes national and state objectives, application schedules, eligible activities, and selection criteria for projects. Copies of the *2014 Proposed Annual Action Plan* will be available at the videoconference; on the DED website at: <http://www.neded.org/community/grants/documentslibrary-a-forms/annual-action-plan> on or after December 10, 2013, or can be requested by calling Brian Gaskill, Consolidated Plan Coordinator, at (800) 426-6505 or (402) 471-2280, or by emailing him at brian.gaskill@nebraska.gov.

The public comment period is December 10, 2013 through January 10, 2014.

The interactive videoconference will be held as follows:

December 10, 2013, 3:00 pm-5:00 pm, Central Time

- Lincoln, Nebraska Education Telecommunications, 1800 N 33rd Street, Main Board Room
- Kearney, Vocational Rehab, 315 W 60th Street
- Norfolk, Vocational Rehab, 1212 West Benjamin Avenue
- North Platte, Vocational Rehab, 200 South Silber Avenue, Building 2

Beginning December 10th, the *2014 Proposed Annual Action Plan* will also be available at:

- Alliance Public Library, 1750 Sweetwater St., Alliance, Neb.
- Auburn Memorial Library, 1810 Courthouse Ave., Auburn Neb.
- Garfield County Library, 110 S. 7th St., Burwell, Neb.
- Central City Public Library, 1604 15th Ave., Central City, Neb.
- Chadron Public Library, 507 Bordeaux St., Chadron, Neb.
- Lexington Public Library, 907 N. Washington St., Lexington, Neb.
- Bennett Martin Public Library, 136 S. 14th St., Lincoln, Neb.
- McCook Public Library, 802 Norris Ave., McCook, Neb.
- Jensen Memorial Library, 443 N. Kearney, Minden, Neb.
- Goodall City Library, 203 W. "A" St., Ogallala, Neb.
- W. Dale Clark Library, 2015 S. 15th St., Omaha, Neb.
- Scottsbluff Public Library, 1809 3rd St., Scottsbluff, Neb.
- Sidney Public Library, 1112 12th Ave., Sidney, Neb.
- Wayne Public Library, 410 Pearl St., Wayne, Neb.
- Thomas County Library, 501 Main St., Thedford, Neb.
- Valentine Public Library, 324 N. Main St., Valentine, Neb.

Mail written comments by January 10, 2014 to: Brian Gaskill, Nebraska Department of Economic Development, P.O. Box 94666, Lincoln, NE 68509-4666, or email: brian.gaskill@nebraska.gov. Comments will be accepted beginning December 10, 2013. Individuals requiring sensory accommodations, including interpreter services, Braille, large print, or recorded materials should contact Brian Gaskill.

Los individuos no hablan Inglés y los individuos con discapacidad podrán solicitar las ayudas y servicios auxiliares necesarios para la participación de contacto con el Departamento de Desarrollo Económico PO Box 94666, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4666, o brian.gaskill@nebraska.gov.