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**State of Alabama’s Program Year 2021 One-Year Annual Action Plans for CDBG, ESG, HOPWA, HOME, and HTF Programs**

On behalf of the State of Alabama, the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA), AIDSAlabama, and the Alabama Housing Finance Authority (AHFA) have prepared the PY2021 One-Year Annual Action Plans for the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), the Emergency Solutions Grants Program (ESG), the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program (HOPWA), the Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and the Housing Trust Fund (HTF) Program. Collectively, these Plans summarize housing and community development needs in the State and a strategy to meet those needs using federal funding from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Specifically, these Plans describe how eligible entities can access funding through these programs to address those needs. The AHFA previously held a public hearing on July 21, 2020 to discuss the proposed PY2021 One-Year Annual Action Plans for the HOME and HTF programs, and the State of Alabama will now hold a virtual public hearing to discuss the proposed PY2021 One-Year Annual Action Plans for the CDBG, ESG, and HOPWA programs on the date, time, and location shown below:

 **Date:** Thursday, February 18, 2021

 **Time:** 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM

 **Place:** Via a WebEx conference call per the following instructions:

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The purpose of this public hearing will be to provide general program information and to receive input from interested parties. The State plans to discuss (1) the anticipated amount of funds available for PY2021, (2) the range of activities that may be funded, and (3) other administrative details. The following housing-related priorities are established for the five programs: For the CDBG Program, the housing-related priority is single family, owner-occupied rehabilitation. For the ESG Program, the housing-related priority is to provide rental assistance to prevent homelessness and re-house homeless persons. For the HOPWA Program, the housing- related priorities are rental assistance, operations of housing, and supportive services to keep persons with HIV/AIDS stably housed and in healthcare. For the HOME Program, the housing-related priority is new construction of affordable rental units across the State. And for the HTF Program, the housing-related priority is to increase and preserve the supply of decent, safe, and sanitary affordable housing for extremely low-income and very low-income families. For non-housing-related needs, the priorities consist of essential community facilities and the promotion of economic development programs. Draft copies of the PY2021 One-Year Annual Action Plans may be viewed online at [www.adeca.alabama.gov](http://www.adeca.alabama.gov/) or at the ADECA office at 401 Adams Avenue, Room 500, Montgomery, Alabama 36104, beginning Thursday, February 18, 2021. Attendees and interested parties may offer public comments at the Public Hearing and/or submit written comments to the State. Written comments should be received in the ADECA office no later than Monday, March 22, 2021. Such comments should be addressed to Mr. Shabbir Olia, ADECA, P.O. Box 5690, Montgomery, AL 36103-5690, or e-mailed to shabbir.olia@adeca.alabama.gov. All persons attending the virtual Public Hearing should pre-register with ADECA by 12:00 noon on Wednesday, February 17, 2021 by calling Teresa Nobles at (334)242-0492 or emailing her at teresa.nobles@adeca.alabama.gov. Persons with disabilities or special needs who may require special materials, services, or assistance should call Ms. Nobles, email her, or write to her in c/o Mr. Olia’s address above no later than Tuesday, February 16, 2021. The public hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities.

