

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR TIERED PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

5/16/2025

**Lapeer County
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On or about 6/3/2025, Lapeer County will request the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) to release CDBG funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

Program funds will be used to undertake a project known as Lapeer County Housing Rehabilitation for the purpose of utilizing funding from the MSHDA CHILL Grant to rehabilitate at least 10 homes throughout the County's housing stock. The goal is to improve the homes, helping to maintain the housing stock and benefit the participating homeowners with incomes at or below 80% of the area median income. It is estimated that \$500,000.00 in funding from MSHDA CHILL will facilitate the program for homeowners in the target area of Lapeer County. The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements.

Estimated Project Cost: \$500,000.00

The Tier I broad assessment of the project area revealed no serious environmental adverse impacts for:

- 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart D - Airport Hazards
- Coastal Barrier Resources Act as amended by the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 [16 USC 3501]
- Clean Air Act as amended, particularly section 176(c)&(d); 40 CFR Parts 6,51,93
- Endangered Species Act of 1973, particularly section 7; 50 CFR Part 402
- 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart C - Explosive and Flammable Hazards
- Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981, particularly 1504(b) and 1541; 7 CFR Part 658
- Native American Tribes National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, section 106
- Noise Control Act of 1972 as amended by the Quiet Communities Act of 1978; 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart B
- Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974 as amended, particularly 1424(e); 40 CFR Part 149
- Executive Order 11990, particularly sections 2 and 5- Wetlands Protection
- Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 particularly sections 7(b) and (c).

List the environmental factors to be analyzed on Tier II checklist.

- Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 and National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 [42 USC 4001-4128 and 42 UCS 5154a]
- Coastal Zone Management Act sections 307(c)&(d)
- 24 CFR Part 50.3(i) & 58.5(i)(2) - Contamination and Toxic Substances
- Executive Order 11988, particularly 2(a); 24 CFR Part 55
- Floodplain Management
- National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, section 106
- Executive Order 12898-Environmental Justice

An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at Lapeer County 255 Clay St., Lapeer, MI 48446. The record is available for review and may be examined or copied weekdays, 8 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Administration Office. It should be noted this project is for homeowner housing rehabilitation and projects will not be completed that would create negative environmental impacts.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Lapeer County, 255 Clay St. Lapeer, MI 48446. All comments received by 6/2/2025 will be considered prior to requesting a release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

Lapeer County certifies to MSHDA that Lapeer County and Moses Sanzo in his capacity as Lapeer County Administrator/Controller and Certifying Officer, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. MSHDA's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows Lapeer County to use HUD Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

MSHDA will accept objections to its release of funds and the Grantee's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Grantee; (b) the Certifying Officer has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by MSHDA; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to MSHDA - CDBG, 735 East Michigan Avenue, Lansing, MI 48912. Potential objectors should contact MSHDA to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Moses Sanzo, Lapeer County Administrator/Controller, Certifying Officer Grantee