COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)

The City of Bessemer receives federal funding through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. CDBG funds are used to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunities, especially for persons with low-to-moderate (LMI) incomes.

The City of Bessemer is making a portion of its annual allocation available to fund eligible Public Service programs through partnerships with public agencies and nonprofit organizations. Funding such programs is believed to benefit Bessemer residents, but especially low-to-moderate income residents of the City.

The City seeks an agency or agencies to grant CDBG funds to aid in public service activities (including labor, supplies, materials, and other costs) provided your agency can demonstrate the service has primary benefits to low-to-moderate-income residents of the City.

Eligible public service activities under the CDBG program may include (but are not limited to):

- Job training
- Recreation programs
- Education programs (including those for adults)
- Public safety services
- Drug abuse counseling
- Homebuyer down-payment assistance
- Services for youth and seniors
- Services for homeless persons
- Housing-related services

We invite you (or your designee) to participate in a 1-hour virtual informational meeting on **Wednesday**, **September 13**, **2023**, at 10 a.m. to provide insight about our grant program, solicit your feedback and answer questions. You may access the meeting here using security passcode 782463.

For further information or questions, please contact the Economic and Community Development Department at 205-424-4060 for questions related to this notice.