

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

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County of Summit, Ohio  
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On or after *April 15, 2025* the County of Summit, Ohio will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake the following project:

**Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title:** Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control  
**Purpose:** Provide Lead Abatement and Health and Safety improvements to income qualified residents within Summit County.

**Location:** Summit County. Specific addresses will be assessed in the site-specific reviews.

**Project/Program Description:** Lead Abatement and Healthy Homes will be provided to income qualified residents within Summit County, including but not limited to, roof repair and replacement, door and window replacement, deck/porch repair and replacement, and other minor home modifications to address health and safety. Tier 2 site-specific reviews will be completed for those laws and authorities not addressed in the tier 1 broad review for each address under this program when addresses become known.

**Level of Environmental Review Citation:** 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(3)(i)

**Tier 2 Site Specific Review:** The site-specific reviews will cover the following laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier 1 broad review: *Flood Insurance [Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 and National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 [42 USC 4001-4128 and 42 USC 5154a]]*; *Contamination and Toxic Substances [24 CFR 50.3(i) & 58.5(i)(2)]*; *Floodplain Management [Executive Order 11988, particularly section 2(a); 24 CFR Part 55]*; *Historic Preservation [National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, particularly sections 106 & 110; 36 CFR Part 800]*.

**Estimated Project Cost:** \$5,348,902.38 Lead Abatement and \$750,000.00 Healthy Homes

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements per 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(3)(i). An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the County of Summit, 175 S. Main Street Room 207 Akron, Ohio 44308 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:00 A.M to 3:00 P.M. or at <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review/environmental-review-records/>.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Summit County Department of Development at [Hmiller@summitoh.net](mailto:Hmiller@summitoh.net). All comments received by *April 23, 2025* will be considered by the County of Summit, Ohio prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

**ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The County of Summit, Ohio certifies to HUD that Ilene Shapiro, Certifying Officer, in her capacity as County Executive 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. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the County of Summit to use HUD program funds.

### **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the County of Summit, Ohio'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 County of Summit, Ohio; (b) the County of Summit, Ohio 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 have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; 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 the CPD Director, HUD Columbus Field Office at email address [CPDColumbusRROF@hud.gov](mailto:CPDColumbusRROF@hud.gov). Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Executive, Ilene Shapiro  
County of Summit, Ohio