

**HUD NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM 2:
CITIZEN COMMENTS INVITED ON INFORMATION RELATED TO
PROSPECTIVE CITY OF ST. LOUIS APPLICATION**

As provided in the May 4, 2009, Notice of Funding Availability for the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 ("NSP-2") under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, 2009, the City of St. Louis ("City") hereby advises citizens of the City that the City intends to make application for NSP-2 funding in the amount set forth below and to use NSP-2 funding, if received, in the target geography and for the purposes described below. Comments on this public notice will be received and acknowledged by the City's Community Development Administration through 5 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14. It is likely but not certain that the City will make this application as part of a consortium with the Regional Housing and Community Development Alliance and the National Development Council. The public notice also appears on the St. Louis Community Information Network (<http://stlouis.missouri.org>), labeled **HUD NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM 2: CITIZEN COMMENTS INVITED ON INFORMATION RELATED TO PROSPECTIVE CITY OF ST. LOUIS APPLICATION**.

If you wish to comment on this public notice, please deliver your comments via e-mail to cda@stlouiscity.com. CDA will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities and individuals for whom English is a second language so they can participate equally in the City of St. Louis programs, services and activities. Aids include sign language interpreters, foreign language interpreters, documents in Braille and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing or vision impairments. Please contact Jill Claybour at 314-622-3400 x223.

Amount of Money: The City expects to request NSP-2 funding in the amount of Thirty Million Dollars (\$30,000,000).

Target Geography: The target geography in which the City intends to use NSP-2 funds is described below and is depicted in the four accompanying maps. The first map is a "key" map that shows all of the target geographies. The second, third and fourth pages are detail maps for the three geographies shown on the "key" map."

An area including Census Tracts 1061, 1062, 1063, 1064, 1065, 1066, 1067, 1101, 1102, 1103, 1104, 1111, 1112, 1113, 1114, 1202, 1267, 1097 and 1105, which Census Tracts include portions of the Wells Goodfellow, Hamilton Heights, Kingsway West, Kingsway East, Academy, Fountain Park, Lewis Place, Vandeventer, Covenant Blu-Grand Center, Penrose, O'Fallon, College Hill, Fairground, Ville, Greater Ville, Jeff Vander Lou, St. Louis Place, Hyde Park, Old North St. Louis, and Near North Riverfront neighborhoods, and described approximately by the following boundaries: Beginning at the intersection of Page Blvd. and the western City Limits, proceeding northeast along the western City Limits to Natural Bridge Ave., proceeding southeast along Natural Bridge Ave. to Cora Ave., proceeding northeast along Cora Ave. to Penrose St., proceeding southeast along Penrose St. to N. Taylor Ave., proceeding northeast along N. Taylor

Ave. to Anderson Ave., proceeding northwest along Anderson Ave. to Dryden Ave., proceeding northeast along Dryden Ave. to Carter Ave., proceeding southeast along Carter Ave. and W. Carter Ave. to Warne Ave., proceeding northeast along Warne Ave. to Adelaide Ave., proceeding northeast along Adelaide Ave. and its prolongations to the Mississippi River, proceeding southeast along the Mississippi River to the prolongation of Branch St., southwest and west along Branch St. and its prolongations to N. 21st St., proceeding southwest along N. 21st St. to N. Florissant St., proceeding southeast along N. Florissant St. to Hebert St., proceeding west along Hebert St. to Glasgow St., proceeding southwest along Glasgow St. to St. Louis Ave., proceeding northwest along St. Louis Ave. to Prairie Ave., proceeding southwest along Prairie Ave. to Dr. Martin Luther King Dr., proceeding northwest along Dr. Martin Luther King Dr. to Vandeventer Ave., proceeding southwest along Vandeventer Ave. to Page Blvd., proceeding southeast along Page Blvd. to N. Grand Blvd., proceeding south along N. Grand Blvd. to Bell Ave., proceeding northwest along Bell Ave. to N. Vandeventer Ave., proceeding southwest along N. Vandeventer Ave. to Enright Ave., proceeding west along Enright Ave. to N. Taylor Ave., proceeding northeast along N. Taylor Ave. to Page Blvd., and proceeding southwest and northwest along Page Blvd. to the point of beginning.

An area consisting of Census Tracts 1171, 1172 and 1181, which Census Tracts include portions of the Forest Park Southeast, McRee Town, Shaw and Southwest Garden neighborhoods, and described approximately by the following boundaries: Beginning at the intersection of Kingshighway Blvd. and Magnolia Ave., proceeding north along Kingshighway Blvd. to Manchester Ave., proceeding northeast along Manchester Ave. to Chouteau Ave., proceeding east along Chouteau Avenue to 39th Street, proceeding south along 39th Street to Magnolia Ave., and proceeding west along Magnolia Ave. to the point of beginning.

An area consisting of Census Tracts 1155, 1156, 1157, 1163, 1164, and 1241, which Census Tracts include portions of the Carondelet, Dutchtown, Mount Pleasant, Gravois Park, Marine Villa, Benton Park West and Tower Grove East neighborhoods, and described approximately by the following boundaries: Beginning at the intersection of Bates St. and S. Grand Blvd., proceeding northeast along S. Grand Blvd. to Meramec St., proceeding northwest along Meramec St. to Gustine Ave., proceeding north along Gustine Ave. to Arsenal St., proceeding east along Arsenal St. to S. Grand Blvd., proceeding south along S. Grand Blvd. to Utah St., proceeding east along Utah St. to Pennsylvania Ave., proceeding south along Pennsylvania Ave. to Cherokee St., proceeding east along Cherokee St. to S. Jefferson Ave., proceeding south along S. Jefferson Ave. to Osage St., proceeding east along Osage St. to Interstate 55, proceeding southwest along Interstate 55 to Gasconade St. and its prolongation to the Mississippi River, proceeding southwest along the Mississippi River to the prolongation of E. Dover St., proceeding northwest along E. Dover St. and Dover St. to Michigan Ave., proceeding diagonally across Interstate 55 to the intersection of Bellerive Blvd. and S. Compton Ave., proceeding northeast along S. Compton to Bates St., and proceeding northwest along Bates St. to the point of beginning.

Uses of Funds: NSP-2 funds, if received, will be used for eligible activities intended to achieve stabilization within portions of the targeted geographies described above. It is not expected that NSP-2 funding requested will address all issues in all of the target geographies; rather, it is expected that NSP-2 funding received will be targeted within the target geographies to

developments that are of sufficient scale to help achieve sustainable neighborhood revitalization, that leverage other funding sources, and/or that complement previously completed or ongoing development and/or existing areas of stability within the target geographies. In addition, NSP-2 funds may be used to address specific limited problem property issues within the target geographies. It is not expected that occupied properties will be acquired with NSP-2 funds; rather, NSP-2 acquisition activities will be directed towards vacant buildings and vacant land that is eligible for NSP-2 funding use. Within these parameters, the City intends to use NSP-2 funds for one or more of the following activities eligible for NSP-2 funding use: (A) Establish financing mechanisms for purchase and redevelopment of foreclosed upon homes and residential properties. This activity is expected to include use of funds for “gap” and other financing for both rental and for-sale developments; (B) Purchase and rehabilitate homes and residential properties that have been abandoned or foreclosed upon, in order to sell, rent, or redevelop such homes and properties. This activity may include physical stabilization activities on vacant LRA and other eligible properties. (C) Establish land banks for homes and residential properties that have been foreclosed upon. This activity may include purchase of problem, potential problem and other properties in tax and other foreclosure sales and acquisitions on a voluntary basis of foreclosed or abandoned property to be held for future comprehensive development. (D) Demolish blighted structures. Little NSP-2 funding, if any, is expected to be used for demolition. and/or (E) Redevelop demolished or vacant properties as housing, including (a) Acquisition; (b) Disposition; (c) Public facilities and improvements; (e) Public services for housing counseling for purchasers or tenants of redeveloped properties; (i) Relocation; and (n) Direct homeownership assistance, all as provided in and permitted by the NSP-2 Notice and the Community Development Block Grant regulations. It is expected that this activity may include the use of funds for “gap” and other financing and/or cost write-downs for both rental and for-sale development, and may include the use of NSP-2 funding for public facilities and improvements associated with residential and mixed use development projects, as may be permitted by NSP-2 regulations.