

Public Notice Format

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

March 14, 2025

Noble County Commissioners
Courthouse, Room 210, Caldwell, OH 43724
(740) 732-2969

To All Interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals:

On or about, but not before, March 25, 2025, the Noble County Commissioners will submit a request to the State of Ohio for the release of Federal funds under Section 104 (g) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; Section 288 of Title II of the Cranston Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA), as amended; and/or Title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, as amended; to be used for the following project(s):

Project Name: PY2024 Noble County CHIP Program

Source of Federal Funds: CDBG, HOME, and Noble County HOME Housing Program Income Funds

Project Description: Owner Private Rehabilitation and Owner Home/building Repair

Multi-year project with grant completion date of 4/30/27

Location: Noble County

Estimated Cost of Project: \$439,800

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for the project(s) is available for review on The Noble County Commissioners website at www.noblecountyohio.gov. The ERR may also be provided upon request electronically via email. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to Courthouse, Room 210, Caldwell, OH 43724 or by email to noblecom@frontier.com

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Noble County Commissioners by U.S. mail or email at the addresses above. All comments received before 3/25/25 will be considered by the Noble County Commissioners prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Noble County Commissioners certifies to the State of Ohio that Floyd Allen Fraley in his capacity as President of Noble County Commissioners 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. The State of Ohio's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Noble County Commissioners to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The State of Ohio will accept objections to its release of funds and the Noble County Commissioner'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 Noble County Commissioners; (b) the Noble County Commissioners 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 the State of Ohio; 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 Ohio Department of Development, Office of Community Development at OCD@development.ohio.gov. Potential objectors should contact the State of Ohio to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Floyd Allen Fraley, President Noble County Commissioners