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Greg Caton, Town Manager
Town of Oro Valley
11000 N La Canada Drive
Oro Valley, AZ 85737

Sent via email and US Mail

RE: Urban County Qualification for Participation in the CDBG Program for FY's 2017-2019

Dear Mr. Caton:

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has recently notified Pima County that it is scheduled to recertify as an Urban County under the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) for fiscal years 2017-2019 and respectfully requests the Town of Oro Valley's continued participation. Pima County routinely certifies its Urban County status and executes respective cooperative agreements with participating jurisdictions, such as the Town of Oro Valley, every three years.

Continued participation via an executed cooperative agreement allows the Town the ability to administer and manage its own CDBG projects via the Pima County Urban County Program should it desire. In addition, participation also allows Pima County to invest its CDBG and other HUD funds in Oro Valley which have directly assisted qualified homeowners with needed home repairs and area non-profits that conduct social services that benefit Oro Valley residents. Most importantly, Oro Valley's participation allows the Town's population and associated demographics to be included into the formula that generates the federal entitlements, resources and associated funding directed to our region. Finally, as part of the Urban County Program your community is automatically eligible to participate in Emergency Solution Grant and HOME Investment Partnership Program opportunities.

Incorporated political jurisdictions, with populations under 50,000 persons, must elect to either join with the Urban County Program or opt to compete for funds in the State of Arizona, Small Cities Program. We believe that the Town of Oro Valley will financially benefit from its continued participation in the Urban County Program; however, the decision is ultimately up to the Town Council. The decision of whether or not to continue to participate must be approved by your governing body via an executed intergovernmental, cooperative, agreement by July 22, 2016. Pending limited summer Mayor and Council agenda schedules, the cooperative agreement can be executed in counterparts and is attached for consideration. However, if the Council chooses not to participate in the Urban County Program, please complete the enclosed *Notification of Intent Not to Participate in the Urban County Program*, and return a copy to both Pima County and HUD representatives listed below by June 23, 2016:

Daniel Tylutki
Pima County CDNC
2797 E. Ajo Way, 3rd Fl.
Tucson, AZ 85713

Michael Flores
HUD CPD
1 N. Central Ave., Ste. 600
Phoenix, AZ 85004

If you or your staff have any questions, concerns, or require any further clarification regarding the cooperative and mutual benefit in participating in the Urban County Program, please contact me directly at (520) 724-6754 or via email at daniel.tylutki@pima.gov.

Sincerely,

Daniel Tylutki, Community Development Program Manager



NOTICE OF INTENT NOT TO PARTICIPATE
IN THE URBAN COUNTY PROGRAM

It is the intent of the Town of Oro Valley not to participate with the County of Pima, Arizona in the Urban County Qualification for Participation in the Community Development Block Grant Program sponsored by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Fiscal Years 2017, 2018, and 2019.

BY:

Mayor

Date:

ATTEST:

Clerk

Date: