

The Consolidated Plan is composed of three parts: 1) The first section of the Consolidated Plan evaluates the Housing and Community Development Needs of the Town of Apple Valley. This includes an assessment of housing needs for low-to-moderate-income families, including the needs of homeless individuals and families; 2) Based on this information, a five-year strategic plan was developed, which includes priorities, objectives and accomplishments that are expected to be achieved during the timeframe of the Plan (2012– 2016); 3) The First-Year Action Plan currently provides a 2012-2013 one-year investment plan which outlines intended uses of resources, descriptions of activities to be undertaken and the specific objectives and priority needs to be addressed. The First-Year Action Plan is now being implemented for Fiscal Year 2012-2013.

The Federal Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, provides Federal Community Development Block Grant funds for projects that promote the development of viable, urban communities by providing decent housing and suitable living environments and expanded economic activities, principally for persons of low-to-moderate-income. For the 2013-2014 fiscal year, which begins July 1, 2013, the Town of Apple Valley expects to receive approximately \$581,334. All CDBG-funded projects must meet one of the following national objectives:

- 1) Principally benefit low-to-moderate-income persons;
- 2) Eliminate slums and blight; or
- 3) Meet an urgent need.

The types of projects and programs which may be considered for funding, subject to National Objectives compliance, include acquisition, disposition, public facilities and improvements, residential rehabilitation, clearance activities, public services, interim assistance, removal of architectural barriers and special economic development activities.

HOME is authorized under Title II of the Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. HOME funds may be used to develop and support affordable rental housing and homeownership affordability through acquisition (including assistance to home buyers), new construction, reconstruction or rehabilitation of non-luxury housing with suitable amenities, including real property acquisition, site improvements, conversion, demolition, and other expenses, including financing costs, relocation expenses of any displaced persons, families, businesses, or organizations; to provide tenant-based rental assistance, including security deposits; to provide payment of reasonable administrative and planning costs; and, to provide for the payment of operating expenses of Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs). For the 2013-2014 fiscal year, the Apple Valley/Victorville Consortium anticipates receiving a total of approximately \$513,588. Of that amount, Apple Valley and Victorville will receive an estimated \$215,476 and \$298,112 respectively. Although applications for

HOME funding are not being solicited at this time, public comment regarding housing needs that may be supported by HOME funded activities are welcomed.

At this public hearing, the Town is soliciting public comments from interested citizens, public agencies, private non-profit entities and other organizations regarding housing and community development needs, which may be addressed in the Second-Year Action Plan.

As required by HUD, this will be the first of two public hearings to be held during the citizen input process. The second hearing to review the proposed 2013-2014 CDBG and HOME Programs is to be held in April of 2013.