

**HENNEPIN COUNTY
PUBLIC COMMENT SOLICITED and
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Hennepin County Board of Commissioners is soliciting public comment on the Substantial Amendment to the HUD 2023 Annual Action Plan.

Public Comment Periods:

- Substantial Amendment to the 2023 Annual Action Plan 30-day comment period; May 7, 2025, through June 6th, 2025; and
- Public Hearing on the Substantial Amendment to the 2023 Action Plan will be held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at the Administration, Operations, and Budget Committee meeting of the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners (Hennepin County Government Center, A2400, 300 South Sixth Street, Minneapolis)

Public Comment Purpose:

Notice is hereby given that Hennepin County, pursuant to Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, is requesting a Substantial Amendment of the 2023 Annual Action Plan (AAP) to reallocate HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) funds.

Hennepin County proposes to reallocate approximately \$1,000,000 of HOME funds to two affordable housing developments: \$560,000 to JO Companies LLC for a project in Richfield, and \$440,000 to CommonBond Communities for a project in Edina.

The Substantial Amendment to the 2023 Annual Action Plan will be available May 7th, 2025, on the county's website (<https://www.hennepin.us/your-government/research-data/housing-plans-accomplishments>). If you would like a copy of either draft plan or have questions, please contact the Hennepin County Housing and Economic Development Department at 612-543-4342.

Written comments **must** be submitted by 4:30 p.m., June 6, 2025, and addressed to Julia Welle Ayres, Housing Development Director, Hennepin County Housing and Economic Development Department, Hennepin County Government Center, 300 South Sixth Street, MC 685, Minneapolis, MN 55487, or Julia.WelleAyres@hennepin.us. Written comments received by June 6 will receive a written response. A copy of the comment letter and the county's response will be included in the documents submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

PLEASE NOTE, the public hearing will be conducted via telephone and other electronic means as allowed under Minnesota Statutes, Section 13D.021 and Revenue Procedure 2020-21, issued by the Internal Revenue Service on May 4, 2020, as modified by Revenue Procedure 2020-49, issued by the Internal Revenue Service on November 4, 2020. Interested persons may attend the public hearing by telephone conference by using the following instructions and all such persons shall be given an opportunity to express their views with respect to the Hennepin County Consortium Action Plan. To attend the public hearing via telephone, call the toll-free dial-in telephone conference number 855-340-8151.

If you need help to make it possible for you to come and be active in the public hearing such as sign language interpreter or assisted hearing equipment, this help can be provided if you ask. To ask for help, please call 612-543-4342 at least three days prior to the hearing.