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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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The Honorable Vito Chiesa
Chairman Board of Supervisors of Stanislaus County
1010 10th Street
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Dear Chairman Board of Supervisors Chiesa:

I am pleased to inform you of your jurisdiction's Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 allocations for the Office of Community Planning and Development's (CPD) formula programs, which provide funding for housing, community and economic development activities, and assistance for low and moderate-income persons and special needs populations across the country. President Donald J. Trump signed Public Law 115-141 on March 23, 2018, which includes FY 2018 funding for these programs. Your jurisdiction's FY 2018 available amounts are:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	\$2,390,534
HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME)	\$ 0
Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA)	\$ 0
Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG)	\$195,964
Housing Trust Fund (HTF)	\$ 0

This letter highlights several important points related to these programs: We remind grantees that CPD seeks to develop viable communities by promoting integrated approaches that provide quality, affordable housing, a stable living environment, expand economic opportunities for low and moderate-income and special needs populations including people living with HIV/AIDS. The primary means towards this end is the development of partnerships among all levels of government and the private sector, including both for-profit and non-profit organizations.

The Department continues to emphasize the importance of effective performance measurements in all its formula grant programs. Proper reporting in the Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS) is critical to ensuring grantees are complying with program requirements and policies; providing demographic and income information about the persons that benefited from a community's activities; and allowing HUD to monitor grantees. Your ongoing attention to ensuring complete and accurate reporting of performance measurement data continues to be an invaluable resource with regards to the impact of these formula grant programs.

To strengthen controls for the effective use of these formula funds, HUD urges grantees to continually evaluate policies and procedures governing implementation of these programs and to make adjustments as necessary. As a former local official who implemented CPD programs, I understand the benefit this funding brings to the local level as well as the management responsibilities that come with these Federal dollars. Only with constant analysis of how these critical funds are being used can we expect to fulfill our stewardships. The CPD team is prepared to assist you and your staff in achieving these goals through a wide range of training and technical assistance opportunities.

CPD is looking forward to working with you to promote simple steps that will enhance the performance of these critical programs and successfully meet the challenges that our communities face. If you or any member of your staff have questions, please contact your local CPD Field Office Director.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Neal J. Rackleff', written in a cursive style.

Neal J. Rackleff
Assistant Secretary