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**MONTEREY SEEKS PUBLIC INPUT ON
HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN
Public Workshop, Thur., Oct. 17 and Online Survey Link**

Monterey, CA. – The City of Monterey is looking for community input as it develops an updated five-year plan for housing and the Community Development Block Grant program. The City anticipates receiving approximately \$5 million in funds over the next five (5) years. Public input is needed to understand community needs and to set funding priorities.

Activities eligible for Block Grant funding include:

- Community services
- Homelessness
- Affordable housing
- Improvements to public infrastructure and facilities
- Economic development assistance

The Housing Programs Office is hosting a public workshop related to the five-year plan on **Thursday, October 17, 2019**, starting at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber at 580 Pacific Street in Monterey.

Community members can also participate by taking an online survey, available in both English and Spanish. Complete the survey by November 15, 2019, online through the City's Housing Programs web page (monterey.org/housing) or at the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CityofMontereycommunityoutreachsurvey>

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Paper copies of the survey are available at and can be submitted to:

City of Monterey Housing Programs Office, 353 Camino El Estero, Monterey, CA 93940.

For more information about the survey and the Five-year Consolidated Plan for the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, please contact Grant Leonard, City of Monterey Housing Analyst, at 831-646-3995 or by email at leonard@monterey.org.



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING: COMMUNITY WORKSHOP FOR 2020-2024 CONSOLIDATED PLAN

The City of Monterey is in the process of preparing its 5-Year Consolidated Plan for the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The City anticipates receiving approximately \$5M in funds over the next 5 years. The Consolidated Plan provides a strategy for addressing critical community development needs of City residents.

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- Community services
- Economic development assistance
- Improvements to public infrastructure and facilities
- Homelessness
- Affordable housing

Location
City's Council Chambers, 580 Pacific Street, Monterey

Date/Time
6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on October 17, 2019

Community Wide Dialogue

Public community input workshops are necessary to have dialogue to identify community development priorities. For grants, priorities should align with the objectives of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Outreach through this meeting is an effort to gain input from key stakeholders and members of the public to expand upon existing policies.

Why is this important to you?

The City must identify the needs of the community to determine how to use these funds to achieve the most far reaching public benefit. You are the Public! When you Make Your Voice Heard, you are helping City leaders prioritize spending for you, your family, and your community.

What if you cannot attend a meeting?
Surveys: If you are unable to attend our workshop, please make your voice heard by taking our quick survey online.
To take our survey, please go to:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CityofMontereycommunityoutreachsurvey>

For additional questions or concerns, please contact:
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