

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

March 15, 2024

City of Charlotte, Housing and Neighborhood Services

600 East Trade St

Charlotte, NC 28202

980-301-3995

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by Salvation Army.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about April 1, 2024, the City of Charlotte, Housing and Neighborhood Services will authorize Salvation Army to submit a request to the HUD Greensboro Field Office in North Carolina for the release of CDBG-CV under s funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as Salvation Army Center of Hope Renovation-Addition. The project entails the complete interior renovation of the first floor of the existing Center of Hope Emergency Shelter and the new construction of an approximate 4,600 square foot addition to the existing building. In addition, the project will include repaving the existing parking lot, installation of new perimeter fencing, landscape improvements, and possible minor drainage/infrastructure improvements. The planned renovations/addition will increase the number of beds from 250 to 325. The Salvation Army owns the land and buildings that encompass this project. The interior renovations include, but are not limited to, replacing all first-floor windows, replacing doors, renovating restrooms, repairing, and painting ceilings and walls, replacing flooring, new security cameras/system installation, electrical system replacement, and plumbing system replacement. The new one-story addition will be constructed on the southern side of the existing building, on a relatively flat grade of land currently used as a children's playground. The addition will include approximately six to eight enclosed dorm rooms, each with four beds, a multi-purpose room, restrooms with showers, a kitchenette, and a laundry room. The enclosed dorm rooms will be occupied year-round by vulnerable residents for added safety. The multi-purpose room will accommodate 50 beds and will be used as an overflow shelter during County-activated emergency weather alerts and in special circumstances when emergency overnight shelter is needed. The multi-purpose room will also be used year-round for daily activities and trainings. The addition will have the same look and feel of the existing structure.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$1,500,000; this includes HUD/Federal funds - CDBG-CV totaling \$609,568.93 and Non-Federal Funds totaling \$890,431.07. Funding sources referenced will support project activities.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Charlotte, Housing and Neighborhood Services has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at City of Charlotte, Housing and Neighborhood Services, 600 East Trade Street, Charlotte, NC 28202 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8am to 5pm. You may also reach out to Pam Alexander at pam.alexander@charlottenc.gov for additional information regarding this project.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Charlotte, Housing and Neighborhood Services. All comments received by April 1, 2024, will be considered by the City of

Charlotte, Housing and Neighborhood Services prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Charlotte, Housing and Neighborhood Services certifies to HUD Greensboro Field Office in North Carolina that Rebecca Hefner in her capacity as Director consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD Greensboro, NC Field Office approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Salvation Army to use program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD Greensboro Field Office in North Carolina will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Charlotte, Housing & Neighborhood Services certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Charlotte, Housing and Neighborhood Services; (b) the City of Charlotte, Housing and Neighborhood Services has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD Greensboro Field Office in North Carolina ; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD Greensboro Field Office in North Carolina, Attn: Michael Johnson at 1500 Pincroft Road, Greensboro, NC 27407. Potential objectors should contact HUD Greensboro Field Office in North Carolina to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Rebecca Hefner, Director