**STATE OF MINNESOTA**

##### **Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development**

## **Minnesota Housing Finance Agency**

### **Minnesota Department of Human Services**

### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS**

#### State of Minnesota 2024 Housing and Community Development Annual Action Plan (ACTION PLAN)

The state of Minnesota (State) is developing its Annual Action Plan (Action Plan) for 2024 and encourages citizen and community participation in its development.

The State annually submits an Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in order to receive federal housing and community development funding through the Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnerships, Emergency Solutions Grants, Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS programs, and the National Housing Trust Fund. This Action Plan reflects year three of the State’s 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan which examines the housing and community development needs of the State and sets priorities for allocating HUD funds.

The State will hold its first public hearing about the Action Plan on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, to gather citizen input on housing and community development needs and how federal funding should be allocated in the State. This hearing will be held at 3:45 p.m., in-person at the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development’s conference room located on the 2nd floor in the Great Northern Building, 180 E 5th Street, St. Paul, MN 55101, and also remotely via [**Microsoft Teams Meeting Link**](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3Ameeting_MWE2OGQ1YmYtNTQzOC00YjEyLThmZWQtZDIyNWVmMjM5YTZm%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22eb14b046-24c4-4519-8f26-b89c2159828c%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%224ed2bd0a-e81e-4bbc-aea0-441ef7684422%22%7d) or via-phone at **1-651-395-7448,** with **Phone Conference ID: 171183234#**

A second public hearing on the Action Plan will be held on Wednesday, May 22, 2024, for review and comment on the draft Action Plan. The draft Action Plan will be available for public review and comment beginning April 22, 2024. The draft Action Plan will be available at [https://www.mnhousing.gov/policy-and-research/opportunities-to-engage.html](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.mnhousing.gov%2Fpolicy-and-research%2Fopportunities-to-engage.html&data=05%7C02%7Cnatasha.kukowski%40state.mn.us%7C8b556c7d2fab41c791e808dc32252cba%7Ceb14b04624c445198f26b89c2159828c%7C0%7C0%7C638440382441713505%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=gIhJh97fBDbmEhZPT%2F2O%2BZOF83RiILO%2FOC5zMbzwaJw%3D&reserved=0) and <http://mn.gov/deed/government/financial-assistance/community-funding/>. This hearing will be held at 3:45 pm, in-person at the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development’s Brainerd Conference room located on the 12th floor at the Great Northern Building, 180 E 5th Street, St. Paul, MN 55101, and also remotely via [**Microsoft Teams Meeting Link**](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3Ameeting_ODAxYzgxZWItZWUwMC00NjhlLThmYzktZjQ3OWU5NGNjMzgx%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22eb14b046-24c4-4519-8f26-b89c2159828c%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%224ed2bd0a-e81e-4bbc-aea0-441ef7684422%22%7d) or via-phone at **1-651-395-7448,** with **Phone Conference ID: 179170171#**

Written public comments should be submitted to: Natasha Kukowski; Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development; Great Northern Building; 180 E 5th Street, Suite 1200, St. Paul, MN 55101-1351; Attn: Small Cities Unit; or by email to Natasha.Kukowski@state.mn.us. A hard copy of the draft Action Plan can be requested by email to Natasha.Kukowski@state.mn.us, or calling (651) 259-7425 or (800) 657-3858.

If you need an accommodation due to a disability, or require interpretation services, please contact Natasha Kukowski at least three (3) business days prior to the public hearing at Natasha.Kukowski@state.mn.us or (651) 259-7425 to make the request.

The State will consider any comments from individuals or groups received in writing or at public hearings. A summary of the written and public hearing comments on the Action Plan and the State’s responses will be included in the final Action Plan. The Action Plan and, if necessary, substantial amendment, will be submitted to HUD after HUD notifies the State of its fiscal year 2024 allocations.