

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

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Name of Responsible Entity (RE): City of New Braunfels, TX

Address: 550 Landa Street

City, State, Zip Code: New Braunfels, TX 78130

Telephone Number of RE: 830-221-4383

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of New Braunfels, Texas.

On or after January 21, 2026, the City of New Braunfels, Texas will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development – San Antonio Field Office for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended to undertake the following project.

Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: Cande's Way – Minor Home Repair Program

Purpose: Maintain affordable housing stock and improve accessibility for low-moderate income homeowners.

Estimated CDBG Funding: \$55,685

Location: City-wide

Project/Program Description:

Minor home repairs for low-moderate income homeowners residing within the city limits of New Braunfels. Project repairs may include weatherization, accessibility (ramps and bathroom modifications), roof repairs/replacement, and repairs needed due to deferred maintenance. Projects cannot exceed \$10,000.

Level of Environmental Review Citation: “24 CFR Part 58.5(a) (3) (i)” – Minor Home Repair (Rehabilitation) for residential use (with one to four units), the density is not increased beyond four units, the land use is not changed, and the footprint of the building is not increased or in a floodplain or in a wetland.

The site-specific reviews will cover the following laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier 1 broad review:

- Historic Preservation-[36 CFR Part 800]
- Floodplain Management-[24 CFR 55, Executive Order 11988]

Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any):

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- Historic Preservation: State Historical Preservation Officers will be consulted if the house is 45 years or older to determine if there is any historical significance. If historically significant, the City will work with SHPO to ensure that all requirements are met.
- Floodplain Management: Property will be reviewed to determine if it is located in a flood plain or a flood hazard zone using FEMA maps and mitigation, if possible.

Estimated Project Cost: Not to exceed \$10,000 per project

The City of New Braunfels, Texas 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 the City of New Braunfels City Hall, 550 Landa Street, New Braunfels, Texas and may be examined or copied weekdays 9:00 A.M to 4:30 P.M. This review was also completed in HEROS and can be viewed at <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review/environmental-review-records/>. Contact: Christopher Greenwell, Grants Coordinator at 830-221-4383 or cgreenwell@newbraunfels.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written, verbal, or emailed comments on the ERR must be directed to the City of New Braunfels; ATTN: Christopher Greenwell; 550 Landa Street; New Braunfels, TX 78130 or 830-221-4383 or cgreenwell@newbraunfels.gov. Per federal regulations, the comment period for a Finding of No Significance and Notice to Request Release of Funds must be a minimum of 18 days, if posted. All comments received during the comment period of January 2, 2026, through January 20, 2026, will be considered by the City of New Braunfels, Texas prior to authorizing submission of the Finding of No Significant Impact and the Request for Release of Funds. Comments must specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of New Braunfels, Texas certifies to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development that Robert Camareno in his capacity as City Manager 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. The U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of New Braunfels, Texas to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The U. S. Department of Housing & Urban Development will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of New Braunfels, Texas 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 New Braunfels, Texas; (b) the City of New Braunfels, Texas 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 the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development 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 submitted in writing to CPDRROFSAN@hud.gov.

Potential objectors should contact the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development – San Antonio, Texas Field Office at (210) 475-6800 to verify the actual last day of the objection period or to submit objections.

Robert Camareno
City Manager
City of New Braunfels, Texas