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Housing & Community Development Forum to be Held Today in Salinas

Federal, State & Local Agencies Join Together to Provide Funding & Planning Assistance

Salinas, CA – California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), and Monterey County, are holding a forum today in Visalia to educate developers, non-profit organizations, cities and counties about funding opportunities available through federal, state and local resources for housing and community development.

The Forum is an opportunity for rural communities to have multiple state agencies in one place to discuss funding opportunities and receive one-on-one technical assistance. Three panels will promote discussion on three timely topics: funding opportunities from federal and state programs; planning for recovery and economic development & workforce training.

“The forum provides ‘one-stop shopping’ for rural communities to learn about the variety of programs and funding available to help provide housing and stimulate their local economies,” said Lynn L. Jacobs, Director of HCD.

Today’s forum runs from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Red Bull Energy Center at Laguna Seca. Scheduled participants include HCD, Caltrans, California Housing Finance Agency, California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank, Department of Forestry & Fire Protection, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the Department of Water Resources. Assemblymember Anna Caballero will deliver the welcome address.

HCD provides leadership, policies and programs to preserve and expand safe and affordable housing opportunities and promote strong communities for all Californians. The Department also supports increasing the supply of housing, especially affordable housing and works to improve the state’s housing conditions and the health and safety of its residents. As the lead housing department, HCD is part of the state Business, Transportation and Housing Agency.

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