



OAKLAND COUNTY EXECUTIVE DAVID COULTER

NEIGHBORHOOD
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Council President Teresa Rutt
Village of Lake Orion
21 E. Church St.
Lake Orion, MI 48362



RE: 2027-2029 Cooperation Agreement

Dear President Rutt:

We invite the Village of Lake Orion to continue to participate in the Oakland County Urban County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program for program years 2027-2029. The Village has participated during the past three years.

The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires the County to renew its Cooperation Agreement with participating communities every three years. Your participation is essential to the County and the other cities, townships and villages that combine demographics each year to achieve the highest level of federal funding for local projects. Participation in the urban county requires a three-year commitment and your community must remain in the program for the entire three-year duration. If your community chooses to remain with the urban county, it is ineligible to apply for grants under the State CDBG program while a part of the urban county. Besides the annual CDBG allocation, participating communities also benefit from the County's federally funded HOME Investment Partnerships and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs. HOME funds are combined with CDBG funds each year to improve local housing stock through our Home Improvement Program. Funds are also used to develop affordable rental and owner housing. ESG funds are used to meet the needs of the homeless through emergency shelters, rapid re-housing and homeless prevention activities.

As a current participant, there is a Cooperation Agreement between the Village of Lake Orion and Oakland County on file. This three-year Cooperation Agreement is automatically renewed for each three-year cycle unless an amendment is required by HUD. Your CDBG primary contact will be provided with a copy of the most current Cooperation Agreement and should keep it on file. If you require a copy, please contact us.

Enclosed is a letter that must be signed by your highest elected official and/or the designated legal authorized signer. The letter states that the community intends to opt in, which will continue participation in the Oakland County Urban County Program. Due to federal requirements, you must submit this executed letter to the County. The County's

copy of the letter should be returned to Peter Essenmacher, Contracts Compliance Supervisor, by **Thursday, June 18th, 2026**.

If you decide to opt out of the Urban County Program, enclosed is a Notification of Opportunity to Terminate. This letter must be signed by your highest elected official and/or the designated legal authorized signer. The letter states that the community intends to opt out of the Oakland County Urban County Program. Due to federal requirements, you must submit this executed letter to the County. The County's copy of the letter should be returned to Peter Essenmacher, Contract Compliance Supervisor, by **Thursday, June 18th, 2026**.

If you have questions, please contact Peter Essenmacher at essenmacherp@oakgov.com or (248) 858-0196.

Sincerely,

Khadija Walker-Fobbs, Officer Oakland County Neighborhood & Housing Development
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