



2025 Citizen Participation Plan

for HUD Community Planning & Development Funding

Planning Commission

March 19, 2025

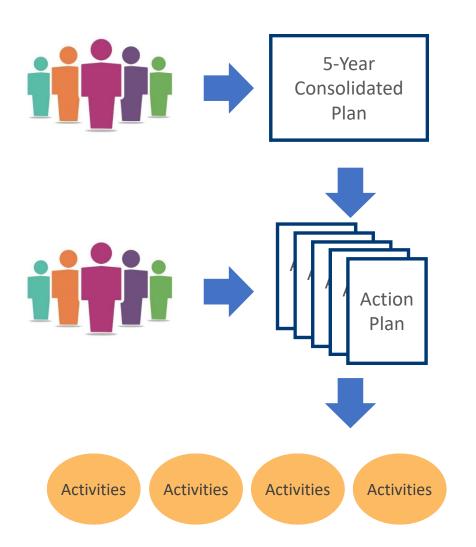
HUD Community Planning and Development

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Community Planning and Development (HUD CPD) seeks to:

Develop viable communities for low- and moderate-income persons.

- Decent housing
- Suitable living environment
- Economic opportunities
- Entitlement funds: CDBG, ESG, HOME, HOPWA

HUD CPD Funding Process



Every 5 Years, the City prepares a Consolidated Plan in consultation with the public

Each Year, the City applies for funding through an Annual Action Plan, which describes how that year's funds will be used to meet the needs of the public and the priorities of the 5-Year Consolidated Plan

Activities (projects and programs) approved for funding in the Annual Action Plan are completed through agreements with community-based organizations and units of local government

What is Citizen Participation?

Required by Section 104(a)(2) of the Housing and Community Development Act and by regulations at 24 CFR 91



Participating jurisdictions must provide citizens with reasonable advance notice of and opportunity to comment on proposed activities in an application to HUD



For grants already made, the same opportunities must be provided for activities proposed to be added, deleted or substantially changed from the application to HUD

Establishing a Citizen Participation Plan (CPP)

Primary Goal

Provide citizens, especially lowand moderate-income citizens where CPD-funded activities will take place, an opportunity to participate in the planning, implementation, and assessment of the programs and projects.

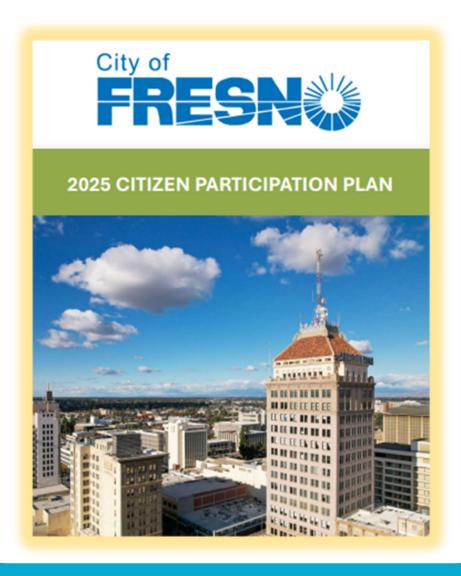
CPP Must:

Written

Describe how citizens can provide input

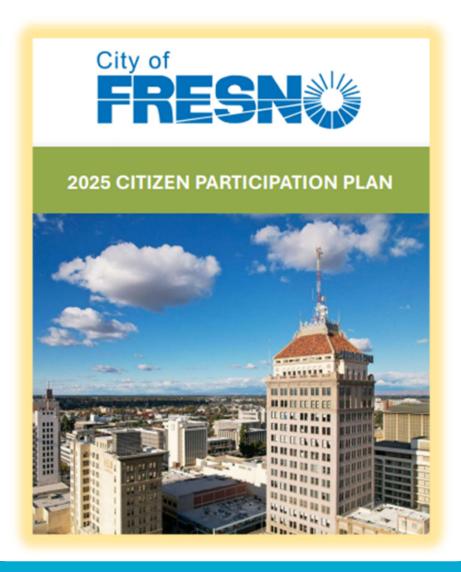
Adopted by Council

Up to date



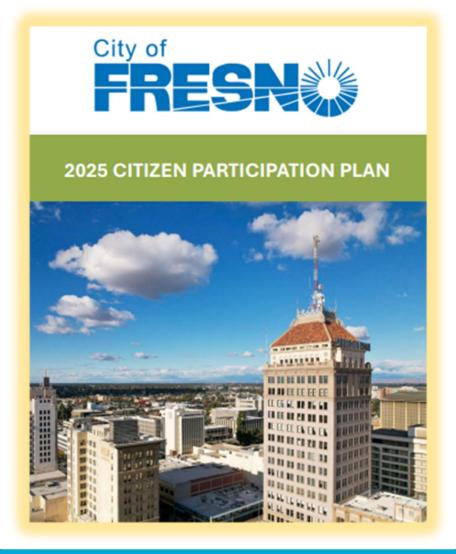
2025 update

- Policies:
 - Public hearings
 - Notice and review periods
 - Comments on plans
 - Availability/accessibility of plans
 - Displacement
 - Technical assistance
 - Development of Consolidated Plan and Fair Housing Study
 - Complaints



Public Hearings

- At least two per year
- At two different points in time during the program year
- Held before City Council

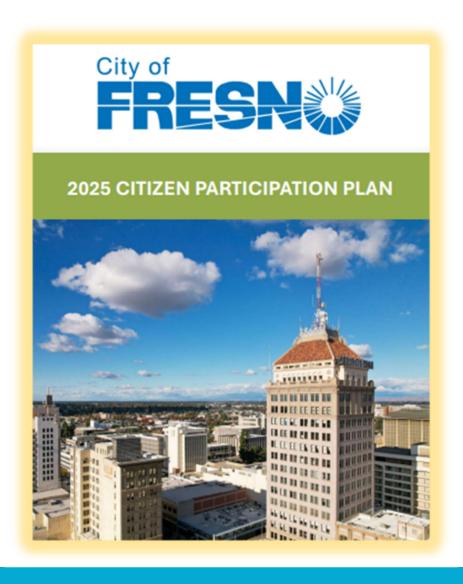


Notice and review periods

Minimum public review and comment periods:

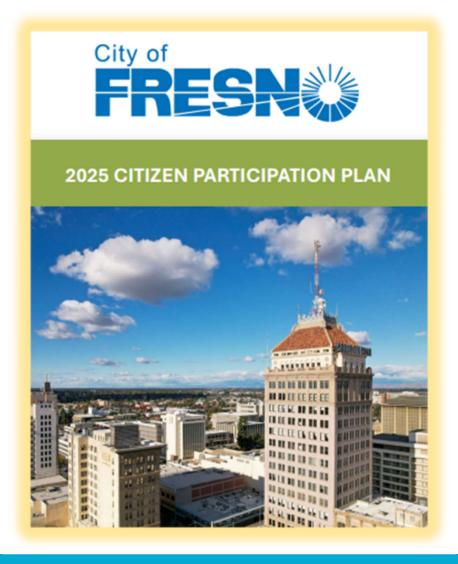
30 days	Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, Substantial Amendment, or Fair Housing Study
15 days	CAPER and amendments to CPP
5 days	Substantial Amendment during a declared stated of emergency

- Notice in the Fresno Bee
- Also via e-mail and social media



Comments

- Comments accepted via
 - Email at <u>HCDD@fresno.gov</u>
 - By phone at (559) 621-8300
 - In person



Availability/Accessibility of Plans

- Drafts available at www.fresno.gov/housing
- Hard copy at Planning and Development Department
- Final drafts replace draft versions
- Physical copies available upon written request*
- Notices include notes in Spanish and Hmong

^{*}fee may apply

2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and Analysis of Impediments

- Eight community meetings
 - · Six in person
 - Two virtual
- 17 community stakeholder interviews
- Two focus groups
 - CASA of Fresno and Madera Counties
 - Fresno Interdenominational Refugee Ministries (FIRM)
- Two pop-up events
 - River Park Farmer's Market
 - Victory Village
- Survey



Publicity of Community Engagement Activities

- Fresno Bee
- City's website
- Project website
- E-mail
- Social media
- Door hangers
- Yard signs



Consolidated Plan and

Analysis of Impediments

Community Needs Meetings

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Public Comment Period

- Published draft 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan (includes PY25 Annual Action Plan and CPP) and Analysis of Impediments
- 30-day public comment period March 3rd April 3rd
- Printed copies distributed to:
 - Planning & Development
 - Libraries
 - Community Centers
 - Copy mailed to HEAT and one additional community member
- Advertising/publicity
 - Published in Fresno Bee
 - Read on Hmong radio
 - F-mail
 - Social media



How to provide comment?

Project website www.FresnoConPlan.org

Online survey https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JTDCPLF

Email <u>HCDD@fresno.gov</u>

Phone 559-621-8300

TTY 559-621-8721

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Questions or suggestions?

