



June 1, 2026

Mayor Christopher Taylor
301 E. Huron St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104

RE: Washtenaw Urban County Participation Decision Letter – City of Ann Arbor

Dear Mayor Taylor,

Urban County members are currently covered by three-year Cooperative Agreements with Washtenaw County applicable to Fiscal years 2024, 2025, and 2026. In alignment with HUD guidelines, your current Urban County Cooperative Agreement will automatically renew for the upcoming three-year authorization period covering Fiscal Years 2027, 2028, and 2029 unless the local unit of government notifies the County and the HUD Detroit Field Office in writing by **July 7, 2026** of its intent to terminate the agreement at the end of the current qualification period (i.e. June 30, 2027).

The automatic extension of the Urban County Cooperative Agreements enables the receipt of federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) grant funding for the period July 1, 2027 - June 30, 2030. These programs offer a wide array of services for low to moderate-income residents, older adults, persons with disabilities, and other persons of limited resources in the community.

The County provides fiduciary responsibility, including monitoring and reporting to HUD on the use of program income, record keeping and reporting, and executing essential applications, plans, programs and projects, which reduce the administrative burden on localities. The terms and provisions of the Urban County Cooperative Agreements are fully authorized under state and local law, providing full legal authority for the County to undertake or assist in essential community development and housing assistance activities.

Current participating jurisdictions include: Ann Arbor Township, Augusta Township, Bridgewater Township, Dexter Township, Lima Township, Lyndon Township, Manchester Township, Northfield Township, Pittsfield Township, Salem Township, Saline Township, Scio Township, Superior Township, Sylvan Township, Webster Township, York Township, Ypsilanti Township, City of Ann Arbor, City of Chelsea, City of Dexter, City of Milan, City of Saline, and City of Ypsilanti.

Please contact me at 734-255-5504 (cell) or cohent@washtenaw.org if you have questions or would like to discuss your community's ongoing participation in the Urban County. We value your continued partnership and are excited to continue working together in addressing local needs across Washtenaw County with critical HUD formula grants.

Sincerely,

Tara Cohen
Housing & Infrastructure Division Administrator

Cc: Chris Watson, City Councilperson
Jacqueline Beaudry, City Clerk
Jasmyne Townsend, Housing & Infrastructure Policy Specialist
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