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The Honorable Mike Amyx Mayor of Lawrence PO Box 708 Lawrence, KS 66044

Dear Mayor Amyx,

I am pleased to inform you that the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Fiscal Year (FY) 2007 budget has been enacted and signed by the President. This letter provides your FY 2007 allocations for the Office of Community Planning and Development's (CPD) formula programs: Community Development Block Grants (CDBG); HOME Investment Partnerships; the American Dream Downpayment Initiative (ADDI); Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA); and Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG). These programs provide funding for housing, community and economic development, and assistance for special populations across the country.

HUD's budget for FY 2007 is included in Revised Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2007 (P.L. 110-5). While overall funding levels for CPD's formula programs in FY 2007 have been effectively held at the levels provided in FY 2006, grantees may experience changes in individual allocations from FY 2006 to FY 2007 due to factors such as demographic changes and the addition of new qualified grantees. Also, the amounts available include reallocated funds in the CDBG and HOME programs. The following amounts reflect the level of funding available for these programs in your community:

| Community Development Block Grant | \$828,822 |
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| HOME Investment Partnerships | \$643,923 |
| American Dream Downpayment Initiative | \$0 |
| Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS | \$0 |
| Emergency Shelter Grants | \$0 |

HUD continues to emphasize the importance of effective performance measurements in all of its formula grant programs. On March 7, 2006, HUD published a final Federal Register Notice titled, "Outcome Performance Measurement System for Community Planning and Development Formula Grant Programs." The provisions of this Notice are fully in effect and integrated into the existing CPD Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS). For FY 2007, all grantees must identify objectives and outcomes for all activities in their Consolidated Plan or annual Action Plan submission. Grantees must report outcome indicators for all open activities in IDIS and assess their performance toward achieving their objectives and

outcomes in their Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report. It is vitally important that HUD have complete performance measurement data to report to Congress at the end of FY 2007. Your ongoing attention to ensuring complete and accurate reporting of performance measurement data will be crucial to HUD's ability to demonstrate the effectiveness of its formula grant programs.

I look forward to continuing our partnership to assist lower income residents in your community. As always, HUD is available to provide any assistance you require in implementing your programs. If you or any member of your staff has questions, please contact your local CPD Office Director.

Sincerely,

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