

# **Howard Terminal Community Access Fund**

# A. Purpose of Community Access Fund

The purpose of the Community Access Fund is to remove financial considerations as a barrier to participation of local stakeholders in the Howard Terminal community engagement process. In addition, resources from the Community Access Fund should also help build capacity of local community organizations to be ever more effective stewards of the neighborhood, and enable informed, reasoned voice by local stakeholders. To achieve these goals, All Home will provide financial resources to local stakeholders who wish to invest their time, experience and voice and help shape the proposed project at Howard Terminal.

# B. Details of the Community Access Fund

1. Year 1 (2020): In anticipation of the broad and intense community participation expected in 2020 for the creation of the Community Benefits Agreement the fund will distribute grants in the total amount of \$100,000.

### C. Funding Amounts & Distribution

- 2. Qualified individuals will receive stipends on average between \$500-\$1,000 / person per year, depending on their level of engagement and their role in the CBA process.
- 3. If eligibility criteria are met, grants will be distributed by check on a quarterly basis (applied retroactively for 2020 Q1/Q2 participation, where applicable).

### D. Year 1 Eligibility Criteria

- 1. Individual Stakeholders: Stipends will be granted to individuals participating on a regular basis in the Community Benefits Agreement (CBA) process:
  - a. **Steering Committee Participation:** Individuals must participate in at least 80% of the Steering Committee meetings, their Topic Cohort meetings and other required Community Benefits Agreement meetings to receive grant funds for each quarter. Participation will be verified through attendance records by the City of Oakland. Given their extensive role in the CBA process, Steering Committee members are eligible for a maximum \$1,000/ year (\$250/quarter).
  - b. **Topic Cohort Participation:** Individuals must participate in at least 80% of their Topic Cohort meetings or other required Community Benefit Agreement meetings to receive

grant funds for each quarter. Participation will be verified through attendance records by the City of Oakland. Topic Cohort members are eligible for a maximum \$500/ year (\$125/quarter).

- 2. Geographic target areas: Currently, the Community Access Fund will be targeted to individual stakeholders who are located in one of the four target neighborhoods: West Oakland, Old Oakland, Chinatown, Jack London Square.
- 3. Other Eligibility criteria:
  - 1. Live and/or work in Oakland at the time of application.
  - 2. Have participated in at least 80% of Howard Terminal CBA-related activities for the previous quarter.
  - 3. Commit to work in good faith to provide constructive input and advice on how to shape a Community Benefits Agreement that has positive outcomes for the community, the City and the A's.
- 4. Planning Group Community Representatives: Due to the elevated investment of time to ensure an accessible and transparent CBA process, the two community groups participating as members of the Planning Group will receive a stipend.

#### E. How to apply

- 1. Apply here: https://forms.gle/u8gc1T3dKRjTCqwL6
- 2. Once approved, All Home will contact you to verify your application and request W-9 documentation.
- 3. If approved, and you meet the participation requirements, your quarterly stipends will be processed automatically until the end of Year 1.