Notice of Public Meeting for HUD Annual Action Plan Fiscal Year 2010 Substantial Amendment to Apply for Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP3) Funding

The City of Merced will conduct a public meeting on Thursday, January 20, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, Housing Division, 678 W. 18th Street, Merced, CA, to discuss the opportunities for Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP3) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The City of Merced is applying for a grant amount of up to \$1,196,182 under the NSP3 Allocation for rehabilitation and resale of abandoned foreclosed homes, redevelopment of abandoned or vacant lots, and down payment assistance toward the purchase of foreclosed homes, to be performed within the eligible census tracts in the City of Merced. In order to receive funding, the City must submit a substantial amendment plan to its Annual Action Plan for fiscal year 2010-2011. The purpose of this public meeting is to gain public input and comments on the proposed NSP3 plan. A final public hearing will be held before the City Council on February 7, 2011 in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. at the above address.

If you are unable to attend the public meeting, you may direct written comments prior to the date of the hearing to: City of Merced Housing Division, 678 W. 18th Street, Merced, CA 95340 by January 24, 2011. Information may be obtained, or a public file on NSP 3 activities may be reviewed, at the above address between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays or on the Housing Website at <u>http://www.cityofmerced.org/depts/cd/housing_division/default.asp</u>. The Housing staff can be contacted at 209-385-6863 or by email at <u>niroumandm@cityofmerced.org</u>.

If you plan on attending the public meeting and need a special accommodation because of a sensory or mobility impairment/disability, or have a need for an interpreter, please contact the Housing Division at 209-385-6863 to arrange for those accommodations to be made. The City of Merced promotes fair housing and makes all programs available to low- and moderate-income families regardless of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual preference, marital status, or disability.