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Nicole Crutchfield, Director
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SUBJECT: Program Year 2024 Annual Community Assessment

Dear Ms. Crutchfield:

As a recipient of grant funds provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), each jurisdiction that has an approved Consolidated Plan shall annually review and report to HUD on the progress it has made in carrying out its Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan. The performance report is submitted to HUD's Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD) in the form of the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). Furthermore, the Consolidated Plan regulations at 24 CFR § 91.525 require the Department to evaluate and report to the public on a community's overall progress in the management of its program funds, compliance with the Consolidated Plan, the accuracy of performance reports, and the extent to which progress has been achieved toward the statutory goals identified in Section 91.1.

This letter serves to acknowledge your Program Year 2024 CAPER submission and to apprise you of our assessment of City of Fargo's overall progress. HUD acknowledges the City of Fargo's programmatic accomplishments during the program year. Based on our Office's review of your Program Year 2024 CAPER, we have concluded that the City of Fargo has the capacity to carry out its CPD programs and has met its reporting requirements.

HUD also recognizes areas where City of Fargo has room for improvement:

CR-20: Affordable Housing

The City of Fargo acknowledges that three affordable housing projects were canceled in PY2024 due to feasibility, capacity, and land acquisition challenges, with funds reallocated to PY2025 projects. While the discussion identifies barriers and outlines future strategy adjustments, the section reports "0" accomplishments across all tables, which does not fully

demonstrate progress toward Consolidated Plan goals. The narrative could more clearly link cost-burden data and worst-case housing needs to the City's planned activities.

The city is encouraged to:

- Ensure CR-20 tables accurately reflect households and units assisted, consistent with definitions at 24 CFR §§ 92.252 and 92.254.
- Provide clearer explanations for canceled projects, reallocation of funds, and how these changes will advance affordable housing goals in future Action Plans.
- Strengthen the connection between identified housing needs (cost-burdened and worst-case households) and the strategies/projects selected to address them.

Summary of Programs Administered and 2024 Funding Amounts:

Allocations	2024 Funding Amounts	Total Available 2024 Balance	Total Available Balance – All Years
CDBG	\$822,824.00	\$50,570.07	\$1,087,463.42
HOME	\$444,620.36	\$431,235.03	\$1,016,549.97
CDBG-CV	\$1,044,369.00	\$7,251.48	\$7,251.48
HOME-ARP (2020)	\$1,697,107.00	\$1,697,107.00	\$1,697,107.00

Thank you for your continued commitment to strengthen your community through CPD programs. Please submit any comments regarding the contents of this letter to this Office within 30 days of the date of this letter. If you have any questions concerning the progress summary or wish to request additional consultation regarding your performance, please contact Danilo I. Arthur-Scott, CPD Rep, at (303) 672 5040 or Danilo.I.ArthurScott@hud.gov.

Sincerely,



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