

As part of the City of Moreno Valley's ongoing commitment to deliver efficient and cost-effective programs, the City routinely conducts internal reviews and audits of its Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant programs.

This self-initiated review process led to improved policies, procedures, and practices as well as a decision to engage specialists - - with substantial experience working with HUD and cities throughout California - - to help manage these specialized programs for maximum benefit to Moreno Valley residents.

City staff members have also been working directly with HUD's Office of the Inspector General to review and strengthen our CDBG grant program and to examine the practices and procedures in place prior to the City's use of specialists to administer the program. This process is proving informative and helpful as we work with HUD to ensure that program administration remains in full compliance with requirements. City staff is encouraged by the additional input and review from HUD.

Through the City's work with HUD, we were provided additional recommendations following a review of procedures previously in place in program years 2014 through 2016. The City is currently working with the Director of HUD's Los Angeles Office of Community Planning and Development to provide the additional documentation requested to further support the \$797,222 of code enforcement services previously provided with HUD funding.

It is also important to note that the City Council recently approved a program change through which HUD funds will not be used to fund the Code Enforcement program for FY 2018-19. This will further streamline processes, funding formulas and internal control mechanisms.

The full version of the report from the Housing and Urban Development Office of the Inspector General has been posted on the City's website for public review.