



**News from Congressman**

# **Tom Lantos**

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## **\$11 Million in Federal Grants to Help With Housing in San Mateo County**

**Washington, D.C.** - Congressman Tom Lantos (D-San Mateo, San Francisco) today announced the award of \$11,324,288 in new federal grants to support low-income housing, community development, and shelter for the homeless in San Mateo County. The grants were made to San Mateo County and the cities of Daly City, Redwood City, San Mateo, and South San Francisco by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

“The quality of life on the Peninsula is extraordinarily high – but unfortunately, so is the cost of rent and home-ownership,” Lantos said. “These new grants from HUD will help put housing on the Peninsula within the reach of more families, and they will help local governments better aid the homeless.”

Lantos noted that well over half of the new HUD funds, totaling \$7,547,000, would go to local governments under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. CDBG funds are to be used to help develop viable urban communities for low- and moderate-income residents by supporting a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities.

A further \$3,448,566 in HUD funds were being made available through the department's HOME program, which expands the supply of decent, affordable housing to low- and very low-income families.

San Mateo County will receive \$198,609 for the newly-introduced American Dream Downpayment Initiative (ADDI), which promotes home ownership by providing low-income and minority households with needed resources for down payments and closing costs. San Mateo County will also receive a grant of \$130,113 under the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) program, which provides annual grants

to private organizations and local governments to improve the quality and number of emergency homeless shelters.

“Too many individuals work in our communities but cannot afford to live here,” Lantos said. “These federal funds will make it easier for people who are already invested in life on the Peninsula to make their homes in our area.”

San Mateo County and the cities of Daly City, San Mateo, Redwood City and South San Francisco will receive the following amounts under these various grants from the Department of Housing and Urban Development:

### **San Mateo County Jurisdictions Receiving HUD Grants**

<b><u>Local Jurisdiction</u></b>	<b><u>Type of HUD Grant</u></b>	<b><u>Grant Amount</u></b>
<b>Daly City</b>	CDBG	\$1,511,000
	HOME	\$570,583
<b>Redwood City</b>	CDBG	\$885,000
	HOME	\$462,282
<b>San Mateo City</b>	CDBG	\$963,000
	HOME	\$565,569
<b>San Mateo County</b>	ADDI	\$198,609
	CDBG	\$3,460,000
	ESG	\$130,113
	HOME	\$1,850,132
<b>South San Francisco</b>	CDBG	\$728,000
<b><i>Total</i></b>		<b>\$11,324,288</b>

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