2020 NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY
NEIGHBORHOOD SUPPORT SERVICES
ACRONYM REFERENCE, TERMS, AND DEFINITIONS

AMI
The area median household income is commonly used to generate data about geographic areas and divides households into two equal segments with the first half of households earning less than the median household income and the other half earning more.

Brownfield
A property qualifies as a Brownfield if the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of that property may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant.

BSO
A Business Support Office (BSO) is a formal “umbrella” organization that establishes a brand and market to help further its goals, elects a Board to provide leadership, obtains IRS nonprofit status, holds regular meetings, and develops annual budgets and work plans, among other activities.

CDBG
The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) administers the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) entitlement program and allocates annual grants to larger cities (and urban counties) like Denver to develop viable communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and opportunities to expand economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons.

Copeland Act
Federal legislation which makes it a federal crime for an employer to require kickbacks from employees.

CPD
The Community Planning and Development (CPD) office at HUD.

CWSSA
The Contract Work Hours and Safety Act (CWSSA), as amended. For prime contracts in excess of $100,000, contractors and subcontractors must pay laborers and mechanics, including guards and watchmen, at least one and one-half times their regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a workweek.

Davis-Bacon
Davis-Bacon and Related Acts (CFR Title 29 Part 5), requires the payment of prevailing wage rates as determined by the U.S. Department of Labor to all laborers and mechanics on construction projects in excess of $2,000.

HUD
The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is the federal government agency that receives appropriations from the principal agency for overseeing mortgage lending and securing housing for low- and moderate-income citizens.

IRS
The U.S. Internal Revenue Service is a federal government agency that is responsible for the collection and enforcement of taxes.
LMI  Low- and moderate-income (LMI).

MBE/WBE  A certified Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise.

NI  Neighborhood Improvements (NI) is a program administered by the OED Neighborhood Equity Division.

NOFA  Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). Process utilized by OED to solicit economic, housing and community development funding proposals for projects that benefit Denver’s neighborhoods and citizens.

NPS  Neighborhood Public Service (NPS) is a program administered by the OED Neighborhood Equity Division.

OED  The City and County of Denver Office of Economic Development (OED) is dedicated to advancing economic prosperity for Denver, its businesses, neighborhoods, and residents.

PF&I  Public Facilities and Improvements (PF&I) is a program administered by the OED Neighborhood Equity Division.

Rent Standard  HOME TBRA program rents, including utilities, may not exceed the OED rent standard. OED uses the Denver Housing Authority’s Payment Standards as its rent standard.

RFP  Request for Proposals.

SAM  The System for Award Management (SAM) is a government database that requires registration of any organizations that bid or participate in contracts funded with federal dollars.

Section 3  Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 [12 U.S.C. 1701u and 24 CFR Part 135] is HUD’s directive for providing preference to low- and very low-income residents of a local community, regardless of race or gender, and the businesses that substantially employ these persons, for new employment, training, and contracting opportunities resulting from HUD-related projects.

SOS  The Office of the Colorado Secretary of State (SOS). An applicant seeking funding must have a Certificate of Good Standing with the State of Colorado.

WizeHive  A grant management system used by OED to simply the application process by streamlining the online application for use by applicants responding to NOFAs and RFPs.