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**50th Anniversary Celebration – City of Anaheim, CA**

On May 20th, 2024, the city held a community engagement event for the City of Anaheim community, at the Downtown Anaheim Community Center. The goal in coordinating this event was to not only celebrate the anniversary of CDBG this year, but to also coordinate an event that would showcase how through its federal CDBG award the City of Anaheim Housing and Community Development Department supports a wide range of unique community development needs activities to build stronger and more resilient communities. In addition, it was also important for our department to provide resources to our community through our celebration. The event had approximately 120 attendees, including members of our City’s Council, City of Anaheim staff, our FY23-24 CDBG Public Services subrecipient agencies, and members of the community. We also had a surprise performance by the Ballet Folklorico de Miraloma. The Folklorico dancers compromised seniors and adults who frequent the City of Anaheim Miraloma Park and Family Resource Center, which construction was funded using a Section 108 loan. It was a true pleasure to have the Ballet Folklorico de Miraloma perform in celebration of CDBG’s anniversary.

Event Leads:

HCD Department Director: Grace Stepter

HCD Department Deputy Director (Grants Division): Sandra Lozeau

City Council Members:

City of Anaheim Mayor Pro Tem Norma Campos Kurtz, District 4

City of Anaheim Council Member Stephen Faessel, District 5

CDBG Funded Attendees:

* Access California Services
* Alzheimer's Orange County
* Anaheim Family YMCA
* Big Brothers, Big Sisters of OCIE
* City of Anaheim Library Services – Bookmobile Services
* Boys & Girls Club of Greater Anaheim – Cypress
* City of Anaheim Code Enforcement – Inspection Services
* City of Anaheim Community Services – Family Services Division
* Community Legal Aid of OC
* Creative Identity
* Dayle McIntosh Center
* Fair Housing Council of Orange County
* Meals On Wheels OC
* MOMS Orange County
* YWCA North Orange County

City of Anaheim Attendees:

* City of Anaheim Police Department
* City of Anaheim Public Utilities
* Housing and Community Development Department Affordable Housing Division
* Housing and Community Development Department Emergency Rental Assistance Program Representatives
* Housing and Community Development Department Homeless Initiatives Division
* Housing and Community Development Department Workforce Division