

Harris County Community Services Department
ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AMENDMENTS
PUBLIC NOTICE

April 13, 2020

The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires that Harris County develop a 3- to 5-year strategy document which states the community development and housing needs of the jurisdiction and annually submits, in a single application for funding, its request for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program funds. Other funding addressed includes the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) I and III and Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds. This strategy document is called the Consolidated Plan, and the single application for funding is called the Annual Action Plan (AAP). When significant changes occur to the Consolidated Plan and subsequent AAPs, Harris County must propose amendments to be reviewed by the public for a 30-day comment period. The Harris County Community Services Department (HCCSD) proposes the following amendments:

2020 CDBG Funding:

Project C2020-017 Interfaith Ministries of Greater Houston – Case Work and Home Delivered Meals for Meals on Wheels for Greater Houston (Countywide), Obligate \$126,000.00 in 2020 CDBG Public Service Funding to provide additional meals for 250 seniors in response to Covid-19 impacts. Total project funding, including previously awarded amounts, will be \$173,000.00.

Project C2020-018 Northwest Assistance Ministries – Case Work and Home Delivered Meals for Meals on Wheels Program (Precinct 3 and 4), Obligate \$30,930.00 in 2020 CDBG Public Service Funding to provide additional meals for 50 seniors in response to Covid-19 impacts. Total project funding, including previously awarded amounts, will be \$77,930.00.

Project C2020-035 Bay Area Meals on Wheels – Home Delivered Meals for Seniors (Precinct 2), *New Project*: Obligate \$15,153.00 in 2020 CDBG Public Service Funding to provide meals for 40 seniors in response to Covid-19 impacts. Total project funding will be \$15,153.00.

Project C2020-036 Evelyn Rubenstein Jewish Community Center of Houston - Home Delivered Meals for Seniors (Precincts 1 and 3), *New Project*: Obligate \$54,144.00 in 2020 CDBG Public Service Funding to provide meals for 400 seniors in response to Covid-19 impacts. Total project funding will be \$54,144.00.

Project C2020-037 Precinct2gether, Inc. – Home Delivered Meals for Seniors (Precinct 2), *New Project*: Obligate \$94,746.00 in 2020 CDBG Public Service Funding to provide meals for 400 seniors in response to Covid-19 impacts. Total project funding will be \$94,746.00.

2020 ESG Funding:

Project C2020-031g Houston Area Women’s Center – Domestic Violence Emergency Shelter (Countywide), Obligate \$123,635.35 of 2020 ESG Funding. Total project funding, including previously awarded amounts, will be \$171,870.35.

PY2020 Annual Action Plan:

On April 2, 2020, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released Harris County's Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES Act) supplemental funding for PY2020 CDBG and ESG Programs. The PY2020 entitlement funding allocations for CDBG and ESG programs are increased by \$8,294,559.00 for CDBG and \$4,077,193.00 allocations. The increase in program funding across both programs is \$12,371,752.00. This is a thirty-seven and a half percent (37.5%) increase to Harris County's original PY2020 HUD allocation of \$19,811,532.00. The additional funding to CDBG and ESG will be allocated to Harris County's CDBG and ESG program administration and Unprogrammed Funds. All Unprogrammed Funds will be allocated in accordance with Harris County's Citizen Participation Plan Amendments Policy, applicable HUD waivers and CARES Act funding guidelines.

Public Comment

Citizen comments regarding the proposed amendment will be accepted through April 17, 2020, at HCCSD Office, 8410 Lantern Point, Houston, Texas, 77054, (832) 927-4700 or plancomments@csd.hctx.net.