

AMENDMENT
CITY OF DAVENPORT
YEAR 45 (FEDERAL YEAR 2019) ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
PUBLISHED IN QUAD CITY TIMES APRIL 10, 2020

Notice is given of submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development of a non-substantial amendment to Davenport's Consolidated Annual Plan for the Federal FY 2019 (City fiscal year 7/1/19-6/30/20). This amendment reflects updated goal and project language; rollover and reprogramming amounts; as well as a funding change. Non-substantial amendments to the plan include:

Goals: Language was updated in the existing Goals for Housing, Economic Development and Low-Mod Clientele & Public Services to reflect the need for short term Tenant Based Rental Assistance, subsistence payments, and microenterprise assistance. An additional Goal was added to reflect the need for Disaster Recovery Assistance to aid in addressing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Projects: Language was updated in the existing Projects for Housing, Economic Development and Low-Mod Clientele & Public Services to reflect the need for short term Tenant Based Rental Assistance, subsistence payments, and microenterprise assistance. An additional Project was added to reflect the need for Disaster Recovery Assistance to aid in addressing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Project amendments are below:

Project 1, Planning & Administration, which coordinates, administers, and monitors the CDBG and HOME programs. Reprogrammable funds of \$30,000; and obligated funds at the end of the fiscal year which are being rolled over of \$0 and program income of \$0.

Project 2, Housing, which funds activities in support of safe, decent, and affordable housing for low to moderate income households. Language has been updated to clarify the eligibility of short term Tenant Based Rental Assistance. Reprogrammable funds of \$169,892.25; and obligated funds at the end of the fiscal year which are being rolled over of \$429,263.21 and program income of \$2,595.36.

Project 3, Economic Development, which funds assistance to businesses located in, moving to, or expanding in Davenport. Language has been updated to clarify the eligibility of Microenterprise assistance. Funding has been decreased by \$10,000, with the funds moving to Project 5, Low-Mod Clientele & Public Services. Reprogrammable funds of \$0; and obligated entitlement funds at the end of the fiscal year which are being rolled over of \$539,237.02 and program income of \$0.

Project 5, Low-Mod Clientele and Public Services, which provides funding for a variety of public service activities serving low to moderate income clientele. Language has been updated to reflect the eligibility of short term subsistence payments. Funding has been increased by \$10,000, with the funds moving from Project 3, Economic Development. Reprogrammable funds of \$0; and obligated entitlement funds at the end of the fiscal year which are being rolled over of \$0 and program income of \$0.

Project 6, Disaster Recovery Assistance, which will aid in addressing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Obligated funds at the end of the fiscal year which are also being rolled over: \$1,196.39 (all program income) for Interfaith Housing Revolving Loan Fund.

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In accordance with 24 CFR 91.05(c)(2) and subpart B of the federal regulations relative to citizen participation for Community Planning and Development Programs and applicable waivers made available to those requirements through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), the City of Davenport is making an amendment to the 2019 Annual Action Plan for Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership and the City's Citizen Participation Plan available to the public through this notice.

Public Comment Period and Process:

This amendment is available for a 5-day public review and comment period from April 18, 2020 to April 23, 2020. Citizens wishing to submit written comments during the public review and comment period may mail them, postmarked no later than April 23, 2020, to the following:

City of Davenport
Community & Economic Development Department
Attention: CDBG Administration
226 W. 4th Street
Davenport, IA 52801

You may also email comments no later than April 23, 2020 to cped.info@davenportiowa.com

Notice is hereby given that at 5:30 p.m. on April 22, 2020 in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, in the City of Davenport, Iowa, there will be conducted a virtual public hearing on the 2019 Annual Action Plan and Citizen Participation Plan Amendments.

In accordance with social distancing guidelines in place as a result of COVID-19, an in person public hearing is not required by HUD. In order to provide alternatives during this crisis, individuals wishing to comment can do so by providing written comments to the physical or email addresses listed above by noon on the day of the public hearing or by attending the public hearing, acknowledging accommodations and social distancing protocol during the meeting. All comments will be addressed in a timely fashion after the date of the public hearing.

Amendment:

This is an amendment to the 2019 Annual Action Plan for Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership and the City's Citizen Participation Plan to enable the City of Davenport to do the following:

- Revise the Citizen Participation Plan at the direction of HUD to include flexibilities, suspensions and waivers granted by HUD in response to the CARES Act. The revised Citizen Participation Plan enacts a comment period for substantial amendments of not less than 5 days and enables virtual public hearings.
- Receive and administer \$939,776 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) made available through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act).

- Increase the administration percentage for HOME funding to 25%, as allowed by HUD waivers dated 04/10/20.
- Add Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) as an eligible HOME funded activity under both the Housing Goal and Housing Project in the 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan.

Additional CDBG funding made available to the City by HUD through the CARES Act is unknown as this time but will be used for the same purpose of the initial allocations indicated above which is to prepare, prevent and respond to the spread of coronavirus 19 (COVID-19) and facilitate assistance to eligible households and persons economically impacted by COVID-19. In addition, the City may utilize FY 2019-2020 CDBG and HOME funding currently on hand as needed to respond to COVID-19. Specific proposed activities to respond to COVID-19 utilizing CDBG-CV will be made available through future public notices which will provide the public 5-days to comment on the proposed activities. These notices will be printed in the local newspapers and posted online on the City of Davenport's website at www.davenportiowa.com

Eligible CDBG activities include, but are not limited to, assisting low- and moderate-income households with affordable housing; assisting businesses with creating or retaining jobs for low and moderate income households; providing and improving public infrastructure and benefits to low and moderate income areas, and provision of eligible public services to low and moderate income individuals. Eligible HOME activities are limited to assisting low- and moderate-income households with affordable housing.

Further, eligible CDBG costs incurred as of March 27, 2020, which is the date on which President Trump signed the CARES Act, and paid for with nonfederal funds may be repaid with CDBG and ESG funding, including those made available under the CARES Act. These pre-award costs will, if needed, will meet all HUD requirements applicable to CDBG including those under the CARES Act.

A prior notice of Consolidated and Annual Plan Amendment was published in the Quad City Times on April 10, 2020. The portion of that notice pertaining to a Consolidated Plan Amendment is withdrawn, as a result of subsequent COVID-19 related guidance received from HUD which rendered it obsolete prior to completion of the amendment process. The portion of the April 10, 2020 notice pertaining to an amendment of the 2019 Annual Action Plan is not withdrawn.

Interpretive services are available at no charge. Servicios interpretativos libres estan disponibles. If you need accommodations for any reason, or for further information, please contact our office at Community and Economic Development Department, City Hall, 226 West 4th Street, Davenport, IA, 52801 or (563) 326-7765 or TTY 326-6145.