

PUBLIC HEARING

SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS

FY 2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Newport News is conducting a virtual public hearing on Wednesday July 28, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. to gather comments and input on the substantial amendment to the City's Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Program for Fiscal 2020-21 for Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) funding.

The City of Newport News, Virginia was allocated **\$769,836** in Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funding from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) for round one funding and **\$971,659** for round 3 funding for a total of **\$1,741,495**. These funds must be used to prevent, prepare for or respond to the spread of COVID-19 and its economic impacts. The Amended 2020 Annual Action Plan will serve as a grant application for the CDBG-CV funds made available through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) from the CARES Act.

Copies of this amendment to the Plan has been prepared and is available for review and comment beginning on Monday, July 26, 2021 through 5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 30, 2021. An electronic version of the substantial amendment may be viewed at nnrha.com or a copy will be available at the following locations:

City of Newport News
Department of Development, 3rd Floor
2400 Washington Avenue
Newport News, VA 23607

Newport News Redevelopment and Housing Authority
227 27th Street – 3rd Floor
Newport News, VA 23607
nnrha.com

Virtual Meeting Details:

Wednesday, July 28, 2021 at 3:00 pm

<https://zoom.us/j/92144116535?pwd=RG44RG9hVUUhJeWtpaDVqSFViZG1Ndz09>

Meeting ID: 921 4411 6535

Passcode: 651995

Dial in: 1-312-626 6799

The public is invited to attend the virtual public meeting and to comment on the Substantial Amendment described herein. Any person unable to attend the public meeting may submit written comments on the proposed use of the funds to **Tricia Wilson, Business Development Specialist, Department of Development, City of Newport News, 2400 Washington Avenue, Newport News, VA 23607** or wilsoftf@nnva.gov

To request additional information or to arrange for special accommodations or alternative document formats contact wilsoftf@nnva.gov. Every effort will be made to accommodate reasonable requests.

The City of Newport News, VA intends to submit the Substantial Amendment to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on or about August 5, 2021.

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SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2020-2021 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN TO ADD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT CORONAVIRUS GRANT FUNDS

This Substantial Amendment is an addendum to 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan. The Substantial Amendment is in response to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) and various waivers provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

On March 27, 2020 the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act was signed into law to respond to the growing effects of COVID-19. The CARES Act made available \$5 billion in Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funds. Of this amount, HUD allocated \$2 billion based on the fiscal year 2019-2020 CDBG formula and made the first round of fund allocations; the City of Newport News allocation was **\$769,836**. The second round of allocations was awarded to the states and local governments at the discretion of the HUD Secretary on a rolling basis. On September 11, 2020, the third round of funds were allocated. The City of Newport News allocation was **\$971,659**. The cumulative amount allocated to Newport News is **\$1,741,495**. The CDBG-CV special allocation enables communities to effectively address the impact of COVID-19 on their communities, especially low- and moderate-income individuals.

The CDBG-CV funds allocated under the CARES Act may be used for a range of eligible activities that prepare for, prevent and respond to the spread of infectious diseases such as the coronavirus disease (COVID19), including, but not limited to the expansion of community health facilities, childcare centers, food banks, economic development and senior services.

The substantial amendment is proposing to allocate the first and third round of CDBG-CV funds to the following proposed program areas:

Program Year 2020-2021	Allocation	Planned Accomplishments
Public Services Activities	\$1,357,345	Assist with homeless prevention, emergency shelter operations, food service/meal delivery, food pantries, and support child-care establishments.
Public Facilities Activities	\$210,000	Rehabilitation of public facilities and shelters to update bathrooms and communal space
Program Administration	\$174,150	General program administration to cover costs incurred for oversight and coordination of grant funds.
TOTAL	\$1,741,495	

Learn how grantees may use CDBG-CV funds for eligible activities that prepare for, prevent and respond to the spread of infectious diseases such as the coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/cdbg/disease/>

For questions, comments or more detail, please contact Tricia Wilson via email at wilsontf@nnva.gov or at 757-814-1699 prior to July 30, 2021.

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