

URBAN COUNTY OF ORANGE

CDBG-CV3 SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT - #2 TO THE COUNTY OF ORANGE FY 2020-21 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

Executive Summary

ES-OS Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

The County of Orange is located along the Pacific Ocean between Los Angeles County to the north and northwest, San Bernardino County to the northeast, Riverside County to the east, and San Diego County to the southeast. Orange County stretches approximately 40 miles along the coast and extends inland approximately 20 miles, covering 798 square miles.

The "Urban County" of Orange is comprised of 12 cities with populations under 50,000 (participating cities), two "Metro" cities - Placentia and Yorba Linda - with populations over 50,000, and the unincorporated areas of Orange County. The 12 participating cities include Brea, Cypress, Dana Point, Laguna Beach, Laguna Hills, Laguna Woods, La Palma, Los Alamitos, San Juan Capistrano, Seal Beach, Stanton and Villa Park. With populations over 50,000, Placentia and Yorba Linda are eligible to participate in the Community Planning and Development programs as entitlement jurisdictions and receive funding directly from HUD. However, these cities have elected to join the Urban County for the overall implementation of these programs.

Substantial Amendment 2 to the FY 2020-21 Annual Action Plan is required as Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV3) funding the County previously allocated to the City of Laguna Beach ASL emergency Shelter was not fully spent. A portion of these CDBG-CV3 funds were not used by this city for the original purpose/activity and will be reprogrammed to the County of Orange Emergency Shelters. The statutory and regulatory provisions governing the CDBG program apply to both the CDBG and CDBG- CV grants.

Public Hearing: A public hearing before the Board of Supervisors will be held on May 20, 2025 for the adoption of Substantial Amendment-#2 to the FY 2020-21 Annual Action Plan.

2. Summary of public comments

A summary of the public comments received will be provided in Appendix A.

Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

All comments will be accepted.

4. Summary

See above.

Background

The County of Orange receives regular formula-based Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds through the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) each year.

HUD provides annual grants on a formula basis through the CDBG Program to jurisdictions to develop viable urban communities through the provision of decent housing and a suitable living environment and the expansion of economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons.

The County, as an urban county entitlement jurisdiction, is eligible to receive CDBG funds from HUD to administer the CDBG Program on behalf of the cities of Brea, Cypress, Dana Point, La Palma, Laguna Beach, Laguna Hills, Laguna Woods, Los Alamitos, San Juan Capistrano, Seal Beach, Stanton and Villa Park (Urban County Cities), the cities of Placentia and Yorba Linda (Metro Cities) as well as the unincorporated areas of Orange County.

In FY 2020-21 the Urban County was eligible to receive an allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV3) funding for the purpose of preventing, preparing for, and responding to coronavirus.

A Substantial Amendment to the FY 2020-21 Annual Action Plan was completed due a balance of CDBG-CV3 funding not used for an original purpose/activity.

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources - 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

The County of Orange allocated \$405,111 in CDBG-CV3 funding to the City of Laguna Beach ASL Emergency Shelter. However, the City of Laguna Beach did not use \$34,802.26 of that funding. The balance is being recommended to be reallocated to the County of Orange Emergency Shelters.

The CDBG-CV3 funds received under the CARES Act are separate and distinct from the County's regular CDBG funds. Subject to the CARES Act policy from HUD, the Orange County Board of Supervisors is responsible for determining how CDBG-CV3 funds will be used to prevent, prepare for and respond to the COVID-19 virus. Using these funds at Emergency Shelter(s), will help minimize exposure to all contagious viruses including COVID-19 by on-going sanitization and separation.

Table 1 - Reallocated Resources

		A	Narrative			
			description			
Program	Uses of Funds	Allocation:	Program Income:	Prior Year Resources :	Total:	
CDBG-CV3	Public Services	\$34,802.26			\$34,802.26	CARES Act
	to provide					allocation
	essential					of CDBG- CV3
	services, operations,					funds
	emergency					for
	shelter,					CDBG-
	showers and					eligible
	meals to					activities
	homeless					that are
	clients including					carried
	sanitation of					out to
	surfaces and					prevent,
	separation of occupants.					prepare for, and
	ooupunto.					respond
						to corona
						virus.
					TOTAL	\$34,802.26

Matching Requirements

The Cares Act allocations CDBG-CV3 funds do not require a local matching funds contribution.

Annual Goals and Objectives

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Goals Summary Information

Table 2 - COVID-19 Goals and Objectives

Goal Name	Time Period	Category		Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator		
Goal 1 CDBG-CV3 Urgent Needs for Public Services	FY 2024-25	Public Services - Any other Qualified COVID-19 Expenses Emergency Shelters	ass	gent Need for sistance to VVID-19 Public rvices	CDBG-CV3: \$34,802.26	Public service COVID-19 activities Persons Assisted TBD		
Description:	and waivers, designed to p	Subject to the CARES Act policy from HUD, including program regulations and waivers, CDBG-CV3 funds will be used to provide vital public services designed to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic through on-going sanitation and separation.						

APPENDIX A

Citizen Participation

Pursuant to HUD regulations, the County's Citizen Participation Plan, current HUD waivers for grant programs and consolidated plan requirements, staff published a 30-day comment period in the notice of Public Hearing beginning April 11, 2025 ending May 12, 2025. In addition, the Public Hearing will be held on May 20, 2025 during a regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors meeting. The Public will be able to provide feedback to the Board of Supervisors prior to approval of the Plan. Public comments and the County's Board of Supervisor's recommendations will be included in the Substantial Amendment-#2 to the FY 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan.

No Public comments have been received to date.