

WASHINGTON COUNTY, PA
SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO FY 2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN TO ALLOW FOR
CDBG-CV and ESG-CV

AMENDMENT #2

Rationale for Amendment

“The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act,” CARES Act which was signed into law on March 27, 2020, provides funds through the CDBG, ESG and HOPWA programs. The CARES Act provides for allocations of funds to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.

Washington County is making the following revisions to its 2020 Annual Plan:

- Increase Public Services by \$350,000 to provide food and meals, health services, and laundry services targeted to LMI households, persons with disabilities, and senior citizens
- Increase Administration by \$70,000 for grant administration costs, including staff time to administer and implement the CDBG-CV program in accordance with federal regulations
- Reduce Unallocated Funds by \$2,006,704

PR-15 Summary of the citizen participation process

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) granted several waivers to program procedure to expedite the use of these funds. These waivers included an ability to amend the Citizen Participation Plan and allow for a much shorter timeframe for public display, use of the internet to make the Substantial Amendment available to the public, and use of virtual meetings to allow for input and comment. Washington County advertised and made the Substantial Amendment available to the public on January 30, 2021, for a period of 5 days and held a virtual public hearing via conference call-in on February 3, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. There were X participants in the meeting.

Comments received:

SP-45 Goals - 91.415, 91.215(a)(4)

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Provide Public Services	2020	2024	Non-Homeless Special Needs	County-Wide	Provide Public Services	CDBG: \$1,600,000	Public Service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit Persons Assisted: Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit Households Assisted:

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

CDBG-CV	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services							Supplemental assistance to prevent, prepare for and respond to coronavirus.
			\$2,103,821	0	0	\$2,103,821			

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives – 91.420, 91.220(c)(3) & (e)

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1	Provide Public Services	2020	2024	Non-Homeless Special Needs	County-Wide	Provide Public Services	CDBG: \$1,600,000	Public Service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit Persons Assisted: 400 Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit Households Assisted: 100

AP-38 Project Summary

2	Project Name	Public Services
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Provide Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Enhance Public Services
	Funding	Other-CDBG-CV: \$1,100,000
	Description	Funds will be made available to provide health services, meals and food services, and laundry service to seniors, disabled and low-mod-income persons in the County that are practicing social distancing and/or quarantining as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
	Target Date	9/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	400 persons are expected to benefit
	Location Description	Countywide
	Planned Activities	Funds will be made available to provide health services, meals and food services and laundry service to seniors, disabled and low-mod-income persons in the County that are practicing social distancing and/or quarantining as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

3	Project Name	Rental/Mortgage/Utility Assistance Program
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Provide Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Enhance Public Services
	Funding	Other-CDBG-CV \$500,000
	Description	Funds will be used to provide rental, mortgage, and utility assistance to Low to Moderate income families facing eviction, foreclosure or utility shutoffs and arrears resulting from COVID-19 related income loss.
	Target Date	9/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 100 low-mod households will benefit from the proposed activities.
	Location Description	County-wide
	Planned Activities	Funds will be used to provide rental, mortgage, and utility assistance to Low to Moderate income families facing eviction, foreclosure or utility shutoffs and arrears resulting from COVID-19 related income loss.
4	Project Name	Unallocated
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	
	Needs Addressed	
	Funding	Other-CDBG-CV \$183,821
	Description	Funds will be reserved for eligible activities to prevent, prepare for and respond to coronavirus. The County will take stock of changing and emerging needs resulting from the pandemic and will detail specific activities in future substantial amendments.
	Target Date	9/30/2022

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	
	Location Description	County-wide
	Planned Activities	Funds will be reserved for eligible activities to prevent, prepare for and respond to coronavirus. The County will take stock of changing and emerging needs resulting from the pandemic and will detail specific activities in future substantial amendments.
5	Project Name	Administration
	Target Area	Countywide
	Goals Supported	Planning/Administration
	Needs Addressed	Planning/Administration
	Funding	Other-CDBG-CV: \$320,000
	Description	Funds will be made available to administer the CDBG-CV funding.
	Target Date	9/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	N/A
	Location Description	Countywide
Planned Activities	Funds will be made available to administer the CDBG-CV funding.	