

CITY OF HENDERSON
FOURTH SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2019-2020
ANNUAL ACTION PLAN
August 2, 2022

BACKGROUND

The City of Henderson received two allocations of Community Development Block Grant COVID-19 (CDBG-CV) funding under the CARES Act directly from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the amounts of \$868,938 (Round 1), and \$1,498,339 (Round 3) for a total of \$2,367,277. These funds are administered through the Community Development & Services Department (CD&S) of the City of Henderson. All CDBG-CV allocations are used for activities that prevent, prepare for, or respond to COVID-19.

HUD requires all entitlement communities receiving Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, such as the City of Henderson, to prepare and submit a Consolidated Plan every five years to establish a strategic vision for economic development and housing and community development services in Henderson. These services are for low- to moderate- income families. The Consolidated Plan contains an analysis of community needs and priorities.

The Consolidated Plan is executed through an Annual Action Plan (AAP) which provide a concise summary of actions, activities, and federal and nonfederal funding resources that will be used each year to address the priority needs and goals identified in the Consolidated Plan. The city must submit an Action Plan to HUD each year during the five-year period. Henderson City Council adopted the 2019-2020 Action Plan on August 6, 2019, and it was submitted to HUD shortly thereafter.

Substantial Amendments

Per the city's Citizen Participation Plan, a substantial amendment to the Consolidated Plan and Action Plan is required when a substantial change is proposed relating to changes in dollar amounts spent on activities that trigger more than 25 percent of the original budget, changes in program beneficiaries, changes in the geographical location of approved activities including program income, not previously described in the Action Plan.

On May 19, 2020, a substantial amendment to the 2019-2020 AAP was approved by City Council and combined the approval of CDBG-CV Round 1 funding in the amount of \$868,938 which included \$400,000 to Three Square Mobile Food Distribution Program, \$86,894 to HopeLink Utility Assistance Program, and \$160,000 to Boys & Girls Clubs COVID-19 Equipment and Custodial Staff Program as well as other amendments. HUD requested that activities that are not related to COVID-19 be removed from the first Substantial Amendment and be reposted for public comment separately.

Therefore, on July 21, 2020, City Council approved the Second Substantial Amendment to the 2019 AAP and reallocated \$697,986 of CDBG program funds. The available CDBG funds

consisted of \$65,000 of available funds from S.A.F.E. House Emergency Services program and \$632,986 of uncommitted 2019 CDBG funds. \$190,000 was allocated to the Valley View Recreation Center activity and \$507,986 to Drake Street Park. Additionally, \$100,000 of HOME funding was allocated to the Highland Village project.

On February 2, 2021 City Council approved the Third Substantial Amendment to the 2019 AAP to accept \$1,498,339 (Round 3) of CDBG-CV funds. \$1,099,500 was distributed to HopeLink of Southern Nevada to prevent eviction and utility shut-off for families affected by COVID-19 and \$100,000 to Neighborhood Housing Services of Southern Nevada to provide emergency utility assistance and financial literacy courses for families affected by COVID-19. The remaining \$298,839 was retained for administration and program oversight.

Fourth Substantial Amendment

This is the Fourth Substantial Amendment to the 2019 AAP. The city is proposing to reprogram \$491,477 of CDBG-CV funding from Neighborhood Housing Services of Southern Nevada and Three Square Food Bank. \$300,000 will be distributed to the city's Meals on Wheels (MOW) Program which provides delivery of seven nutritional meals per week to low-income homebound seniors who are self-quarantined or sheltering in place due to COVID-19. \$191,477 will be reprogrammed to Henderson Homeless Response Team (HHRT) to provide outreach and engagement to unsheltered individuals experiencing homelessness throughout Henderson. The outreach team will meet people where they are to provide engagement, case management, emergency health/mental health services, transportation, and services for special populations affected by COVID-19.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

A Notice of Public Hearing and 7-day public comment period was published in the Las Vegas Review Journal and the El Tiempo Spanish newspaper on July 13, 2022, informing the public of the proposed Fourth Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 AAP and inviting comments before and during the public hearing. The public comment period began on July 13, 2022 and ended on July 20, 2022. Citizens could review, request copies, and submit comments about the Amendment at the city's Community Development & Services (CD&S) Department, or on the department's webpage.

CARES Act Flexibilities

In accordance with the CARES Act, an expedited public participation process is permitted to make funding available as soon as possible and provide reasonable notice and opportunity for public comment. Therefore, a minimum five -day public comment period can be utilized for amending Consolidated Plans/Action Plans. The City of Henderson is providing notice of a seven-day public comment period as part of the HUD public participation exemption process outlined in the HUD Memorandum dated April 9, 2020, entitled the CARES Act Flexibilities for CDBG Funds Used to Support Coronavirus Response and plan amendment waiver. Additionally,

one public hearing will be held to provide reasonable notice and opportunities for public comment:

According to Section 4.4 of the Citizen Participation Plan, it states in part, that *the city may waive hearing notice requirements in cases where unusual circumstances justify alternative means of notifying the general public. In such situations, shorter notice may be given, and the public notices posted in public places may be used in place of a notice published in a newspaper.* Therefore, the city will post a reduced public comment period to disburse 2019 CDBG-CV funds quickly into the community to implement the MOW Program and the HHRT to serve vulnerable populations. Due to the urgency to deliver services to this population, this serves as justification for the reduced public comment period.

Public Comment

The Fourth Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 AAP is available for review on the CD&S webpage, which can be found at:

<https://www.cityofhenderson.com/government/departments/community-development-and-services/housing/community-dev-block-grant-cdbg/consolidated-plan-process>.

On August 2, 2022, the public hearing and regular city council meeting will be held for approval of the Fourth Substantial Amendment to the 2019-2020 AAP. Written comments may also be provided to Senta Robinson by 5:00on July 20, 2022 by email at Senta.Robinson@cityofhenderson.com, or by phone at 702-267-1500 or in writing addressed to: City of Henderson, Community Development & Services Department, 240 S. Water Street, Henderson, NV 89009-5050, Attn: Senta Robinson.

REPROGRAMMED ACTIVITIES

The proposed activities to the 2019-2020 AAP modified through this amendment include:

Meals on Wheels (MOW) - \$300,000

Expansion of the city's Meals on Wheels Program for food and delivery assistance to low/mod income seniors who cannot afford food or who are socially isolating due to COVID-19 and not able to leave home for their grocery needs.

Henderson Homeless Response Team (HHRT) \$191,477

The HHRT will provide outreach and engagement to unsheltered individuals experiencing homelessness throughout Henderson. The outreach team will meet people where they are to provide engagement, case management, emergency health/mental health services, transportation, and services for special populations affected by COVID-19.

AP-35 Projects

Project Name	Amount	Grant	Change
COVID-19 Parks & Recreation Meals on Wheels Program 19/20	\$300,000	CDBG-CV	Added
COVID-19 Henderson Homeless Response Team 19/20	\$191,477	CDBG-CV	Added
COVID-19 Neighborhood Housing Services of Southern Nevada Utility Assistance Program 19/20	\$100,000 \$2,305	CDBG-CV	Reprogrammed \$97,694
COVID-19 Three Square Mobile Food Distribution Program 19/20	\$400,000 \$6,217	CDBG-CV	Reprogrammed \$393,783
COVID-19 CDBG Administration 19/20	\$470,883	CDBG-CV	No Change
COVID-19 Boys & Girls Club of Southern Nevada - Equipment & Custodial Staff	\$160,000	CDBG-CV	No change
COVID-19 HopeLink Emergency Utility Assistance Program	\$86,894	CDBG-CV	No change
COVID -19 HopeLink Homelessness Prevention Program	\$1,099,500	CDBG-CV	No change
Andson Foundation Andson Academics 19/20	\$37,000	CDBG	No change
Giving Life Ministries Emergency Assistance Program 19/20	\$50,000	CDBG	No change

Project Name	Amount	Grant	Change
HopeLink of Southern Nevada 19/20	50,000	CDBG	No change
Rebuilding Together Southern Nevada Critical Home Repair Program 19/20	\$200,000	CDBG	No change
COH CDBG Administration 19/20	\$282,496	CDBG	No change
COH CDBG Housing Services 19/20	\$100,000	CDBG	No change
COH HOME Administration 19/20	\$156,676	HOME	No change
COH HOME Development of Affordable Housing 19/20	\$470,029	HOME	No change
Valley View Recreation Center 19/20	\$190,000	CDBG	No change
Drake Street Park 19/20	\$745,909	CDBG	No change
Highland Village Multifamily Rehabilitation 19/20	\$100,000	HOME	No change

AP -38 Project Summary
Proposed Amendments

	Project Name	COVID 19 Parks & Recreation Meals on Wheels Program
	Target Area	Henderson Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Nutritional Services, Services for Seniors and Disable Individuals
	Funding	\$300,000
	Description	The Meals on Wheels Program will provide food delivery to low/mod income seniors who cannot afford food or who are socially isolating due to COVID-19 and not able to leave home for their grocery needs.
	Target Date	12/31/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 115 households
	Location Description	The administration of the Meals on Wheels program will take place at the City of Henderson Heritage Park Senior Facility located at 300 S. Racetrack Road, Henderson, NV 89015. However, the Meals on Wheels Program will provide services to seniors citywide.
	Planned Activities	The Meals on Wheels Program will provide delivery of seven nutritional meals per week to low-income seniors who are self-quarantining or sheltering in place due COVID-19.
	Project Name	COVID -19 Henderson Homeless Response Team
	Target Area	Henderson Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public Service
	Needs Addressed	Services for Seniors and Disable Individuals
	Funding	\$191,477
	Description	To provide financial support for street outreach and emergency shelter services to assist with ongoing COVID-19 related expenses
	Target Date	12/31/2023
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	225 people
	Location Description	Program operations will take place at 1640 R. Flamingo Rd #100, Las Vegas, NV 89119 However, services will be provided to residents citywide.

	Planned Activities	To provide street outreach and emergency shelter activities to include case management, emergency health /mental health services, transportation, services for special populations
	Project Name	Neighborhood Housing Services of Southern Nevada, Inc - Henderson Utility Assistance Program
	Target Area	Henderson Citywide
	Goals Supported	Homelessness Prevention
	Needs Addressed	Homeless Services
	Funding	\$100,000, reprogramming 97,694
	Description	The program will provide up to 3-months of emergency utility assistance and financial literacy courses for families affected by COVID-19
	Target Date	9/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	An estimated 265 low-income families will receive emergency assistance.
	Location Description	1849 Civic Center Drive, North Las Vegas, 89030
	Planned Activities	Emergency utility assistance and financial literacy courses
	Project Name	Three Square Mobile Food Distributions for Low Income Families in Henderson
	Target Area	Henderson Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Nutritional Services
	Funding	\$400,000, reprogramming \$393,783
	Description	Monthly mobile food distributions to families affected by COVID-19
	Target Date	6/30/2022
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 12,000 households
	Location Description	Hinman, Sewall, Taylor, Thorpe, and Galloway elementary schools located in Henderson
	Planned Activities	Monthly mobile food distribution to households affected by COVID-19