

# **Department of Housing and Neighborhood Programs**

## HUD Consolidated Plan 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan Amendment FY 2020 4<sup>th</sup> Amendment

- FY 2020 Annual Action Plan Amendment-Reallocation CDBG-CV for ESG Match
- FY 2020 Annual Action Plan Amendment-Reallocation CDBG-CV for Administration
- FY 2020 Annual Action Plan Amendment-Reallocation HOME for New Construction
- FY 2020 Annual Action Plan Amendment-Reallocation HOME for Homebuyer Assistance
- Reallocation of HOME Rehabilitation
- Reallocation of Economic Development, World Changers, and Pave My Alley

(Public Comment Period January 3, 2023--February 1, 2023)

### INTRODUCTION

This document is a substantial amendment to the City of Little Rock' FY2020 Annual Action Plan based on Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act)(Public Law No.116-136) for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) (42 U.S.C 12701 et seq.).

Title 24 Section 91.505 of the Code of Federal Regulations stipulates the participating jurisdictions shall amend their approved plans whenever they make the following decisions:

- 1. To make a change in its allocation priorities or a substantial change in the method of distribution of funds.
- 2. To carry out a new activity using funds from any program covered by the Consolidated Plan (including program income), not previously described in the Annual Action Plan.
- 3. To substantially change the purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries of an activity.

This regulation further requires that jurisdictions identify in their citizen participation plans the criteria that they will use for determining what constitutes a substantial amendment.

Consistent with these requirements, the City of Little Rock Citizen Participation Plan, states that substantial amendments to the Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan are required when the City of Little Rock Community Development Division wishes to make one of the following changes:

- 1. A proposed new activity which cannot reasonably be construed to have been included within the programmatic intent of the adopted application or in the commitment of funds to a specific project; or
- 2. An activity that was identified in the adopted application, but which subsequently is proposed to be deleted; or
- 3. An activity that is proposed to be altered in terms of its purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries to such an extent that it can no longer reasonably be construed as the activity reviewed by the public and approved by the Consolidated Plan Advisory Committee.
- 4. The criteria to be used in determining if an activity is at risk of becoming substantially changed from its originally intended purpose will be based upon further Consolidated Plan Advisory Committee actions to modify/amend the Consolidated Plan proposed activities.
- 5. City staff shall proactively monitor each funded project for compliance with its respective performance criteria and provide periodic progress reports to the Consolidated Plan Advisory Committee.
- 6. Any activity that is judged to be at risk of substantially changing from its originally intended propose, scope, location, or beneficiaries will be reviewed in a public hearing forum prior to a decision by the Consolidated Advisory Plan Committee as to whether the performance objectives of the project shall be amended.
- 7. An application for a CDBG Section 108 Loan Guarantee.

The proposed changes are to cancel projects and/or reallocate the funding to a new projects in the Annual Action Plan:

- Public Service, Small Business, Match for ESG (CDBG-CV)—Decrease Funding \$243,270.62
- Match for Emergency Solution Grant (ESG)-(CDBG-CV)—Increase Funding \$233,270.62
- Administration (CDBG-CV) Increase Funding \$10,000.00
- HOME Rehabilitation-2015 HOME-Decrease Funding \$113,103.23
- HOME Rehabilitation-2016 HOME-Decrease Funding \$169,179.47
- HOME Rehabilitation-2020 HOME-Decrease Funding \$421.012.80
- New Construction–2020 HOME —Increase Funding \$553,295.50
- Homebuyer Assistance–2020 HOME —Increase Funding \$150,000.00
- Economic Development–2017 CDBG—Decrease Funding \$7,884.00
- Pave My Alley–2017 CDBG—Decrease Funding \$28,730.00
- World Changers-2017 CDBG-Decrease Funding \$1,086.54
- Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation-2017 2020-Increase Funding \$37,700.54

## PROPOSED AMENDED SECTION

#### I. 2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

The proposed substantial amendment will amend the 2020 Annual Action Plan in the following sections:

- A. AP-15 Projects & AP-38 Project Summary
  - 1. Increase HOME Assistance Funds:
    - Prior Year Resources to \$282,283 for a total of \$1,563,748
  - 2. Increase CDBG Assistance Funds:
    - Prior Year Resources to \$44,240 for a total of \$1,538,316
- B. AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives
  - 1. Increase Goals and Objectives:
    - DH 1.1 Rehab of owner-occupied housing (CDBG) increase to \$984,501 with no change to units.
    - DH 2.4 New Construction of owner-occupied housing (HOME) increase to \$533,296 with 3 additional units.
    - Add DH 2.2 Housing Assistance for Homebuyer (HOME) increase to \$150,000 with 25 units.
    - Add SL 1.4 Match Fund for ESG (CDBG-CV) to \$233,270.62
  - 2. Decrease Goals and Objectives:
    - DH 1.2 Substantial/moderate rehabilitation (HOME) decrease by \$421,013 with 0 units.
    - EO 1.1 Economic Development (CDBG-CV) decrease by \$38,000 and 7 business assisted.
    - SL 1.6 Other Special Needs for Emergency (CDBG-CV) decrease by \$19,584 and 755 households and 500 homeless person overnight shelter.
    - DH 2.8 Match Fund for ESG (CDBG-CV) decrease by \$233,270.62 units by 21.

- C. .AP-35 Projects & AP-38 Project Summary
  - 1. Decrease CDBG Assistance (COVID-19)-Eligible CDBG activity:
    - Public Service, Small Business, Match for ESG \$243,270.62
  - 2. Increase CDBG Assistance (COVID-19)-Eligible CDBG activity:
    - Match for ESG \$233,270.62
    - Administration \$10,000.00
  - 3. Decrease HOME Assistance-Eligible HOME activity:
    - HOME Rehabilitation (Substantial/Moderate) \$421,012.80
  - 4. Increase HOME Assistance-Eligible HOME activity:
    - Homebuyer Assistance \$150,000.00
    - New Construction \$533.295.50 (Reallocated 2015, 2016, 2020)
  - 5. Increase CDBG Assistance-Eligible CDBG activity:
    - Owner Occupied Rehabilitation \$37,700.54 for a total of \$934,500.54
- D. AP-55 Affordable Housing
  - 1. Increase 1-year goals for the number of households to be supported for non-homeless to 692.
  - 2. Increase 1-year goals for the number of households supported through the production of new units to 7.
  - 3 Decrease 1-year goals for the number of households supported through the rehab of existing units to 65.
- 4. Increase 1-year goals for the number of households supported through the acquisition of existing units to 25.

#### II. PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of the proposed substantial amendment will be published in the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette on January 1, 2023. The 30-day comment period will be January 3, 2023-February 1, 2023. Written comments should be emailed to <u>barbor@littlerock.gov</u> or sent on or before February 31, 2023 to the following address:

City of Little Rock Department of Housing and Neighborhood Programs Community Development Attn: Beverly Arbor 500 West Markham, Suite 120W Little Rock, AR 72201

The City of Little Rock Board of Director's will conduct a public hearing on the substantial amendment with the Board's regular scheduled meeting at the Centre at University Park, 6401 West 12<sup>th</sup> Street on **Tuesday**, **February 7**, 2023 at 6:00pm.