



City of Gastonia, NC

Third Substantial Amendment to the FY 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan (as related to the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan)

CDBG-CV

Community Development Block Grant-COVID

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Cover Sheet

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Introduction

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is a flexible program that provides states and units of local government with financial resources to develop viable communities. Grants are provided annually on a formula basis. With the use of these funds, local governments are able to providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and opportunities to expand economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons.

The *City of Gastonia* is an Entitlement Community (EC) that annually receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding. The Community Development Block Grant or CDBG-CV funding is tied to the CDBG Funding received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This is the third substantial amendment to the *FY 2019-2020 Annual Action Plan*. **Community Development Block Grant – CARES (CDBG-CV) – The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act of 2020 (CARES Act)** provided for a supplemental appropriation of Community Development Block Grants as authorized by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended. Funds may be used for any eligible community development activities for COVID-19 relief related activities that *prevent, prepare for and respond to the coronavirus*.

Purpose

The purpose of this proposed amendment to the FY2019-2020 Annual Action Plan is to:

1. *Fulfill federal requirements, and*
2. *Provide information to the residents of the City of Gastonia.*

An amendment is necessary to allow the change in projects proposed for the use of federal HUD funding as required by *Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Section 91.505*. The purpose of this amendment is to describe the City's additional outlined projects.

Citizens Participation

Citizen participation is a requirement of the CDBG Program (*24 CFR 91.105*). The City executed the Citizen Participation Plan and provides opportunity for public input throughout the development and approval of the amendment. Citizens are encouraged to engage in public discussion and are notified of both the public hearing and public comment period via the local newspaper publication, *The Gaston Gazette*, and postings on the City's website <http://www.cityofgastonia.com> on the events calendar and on the Housing and Neighborhoods Division web page.

Notice of Public Hearing

- ✓ **Monday, November 14, 2022 at 6:00 PM**
*City of Gastonia- Garland Municipal Business Center
150 S. York Street – Room 233
Gastonia, NC 28052*

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Public Hearings will be held to review the City of Gastonia's proposed substantial amendment to its FY2019-2020 Annual Action Plan. The public hearing will provide an opportunity for residents to comment on the proposed action.

30-Day Public Comment Period

*Notice of 30-Day Public Comment Period: **Friday, October 21, 2022 – Tuesday, November 21, 2022.***

A 30-day public comment period regarding the City's proposed substantial amendment to its *FY2019-2020 Annual Action Plan*. Approval of the proposed amendment is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, May 15, 2018, at the regularly scheduled City Council meeting to be held at 6:00 PM at City Hall Council Chambers, 181 S. South Street, Gastonia, NC 28052.

Detailed Summary of Proposed Amendment

Proposed activities are eligible per 24 CFR 570.201 of the CDBG Entitlement Program regulations and comply with the national objective to benefit low- and moderate-income persons. The City's Annual Action Plan includes eligible activities to be funded during a program year. These activities will be new for program year 2022-23, and will be included in the proposed budget, public hearing and comment period as outlined. CDBG-CV Funding is to be expended on activities as described in this Annual Action Plan as reprogrammed by this amendment and related to the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan.

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JURISDICTION		FUNDING SOURCE					DATE
Gastonia, NC		Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus (CDBG-CV)					10/06/2022
Funding Source	Award Letter	Amount Awarded					
CDBG-CV1	01/26/2021	\$ 386,391					
CDBG-CV3	01/26/2021	\$ 484,878					
TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED		\$ 871,269					
PROJECT	ACTIVITY NAME	DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY (REGULATORY OR HCDA CITATION)	NATIONAL OBJECTIVE	ESTIMATED BENEFICIARIES	CDBG-CV PROJECT BUDGET AMOUNT	ADDED ACTIVITY Y/N
Public Services	Emergency Utility Assistance	Funds will be for utility assistance for individuals and households impacted by COVID-19. The City of Gastonia will provide \$100,000 for use with utility assistance for City of Gastonia residents and electric utility service customers impacted by COVID-19. Assistance will be provided for a period of no more than five (5) months, and services cannot be duplication of other agencies providing the same service. Intake screening, eligibility determination and disbursement of program funds will be administered by the United Way of Gaston County.	24 CFR 570.201(e)	LMH	500	\$100,000	No
Public Services	Emergency Rental Assistance	Funds will be used for rental assistance for individuals and households impacted by COVID-19. The City of Gastonia will provide \$100,000 for use with rental assistance for City of Gastonia residents.	24 CFR 570.201(e)	LMH	500	\$100,000	No
Public Facilities	Recreational Facilities	Funds will be used for City-owned public park facilities to construct outdoor shelters that allow citizens to enjoy the park while preventing the spread of COVID-19.	24 CFR 570.201(c)	LMA	2,500	\$671,269	Yes
TOTAL PROJECT ALLOCATION			---	---	3,500	\$871,269	---

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