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Summary of Modification to the Program
Year 2020 / City's FY 2021 Annual Action
Plan

Date: November 10, 2020

Purpose: Public Notice of Proposed Substantial Amendment to the Program Year 2019 / City's FY 2020 Annual Action Plan and Request for Comments.

Summary: The Annual Action Plan is part of the Consolidated Planning process, in which the City of Columbus assesses its affordable housing and community development needs and market conditions. And makes data-driven, place-based investment decisions. The Consolidated Plan for the City of Columbus covers a span of 5-years, from 2017-2021, in which community development priorities and multiyear goals were set based on an assessment of housing and community development needs, an analysis of housing and economic market conditions and available resources. The community development priorities and goals are carried out annually through the Annual Action Plan. Through the Annual Action Plan, the City of Columbus provides a concise summary on its intended actions, activities, and the specific federal and non-federal resources that will be used each year to address the priority needs and specific goals identified by the Consolidated Plan. The City of Columbus is proposing to modify its Program Year 2020 / City's FY 2021 Annual Action Plan.

Modification #1: The City of Columbus was notified on October 22,2020 by the Department of Housing and Urban Development that an error in the calculation for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), and HOME Investments Partnerships (HOME) programs. The City of Columbus' original CDBG and HOME allocations were \$1, 667,930 and \$1,017,554, respectively. The City's FY20 available allocations are now as follows:

Grant Program	New FFY20 Funding Amount
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	\$1,667,676
HOME Investments Partnerships (HOME)	\$1,017,325

Modification #2: The City of Columbus was notified on September 11,2020 by the Department of Housing and Urban Development that a special allocation of Community Development Block Grant funds ito be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19. The city was allocated \$1,143,059, The cumulative amount for all CDBG-CV funds is \$2,124,248.

Comment Period: In order to obtain the views of citizens, public agencies and other interested parties, the City has placed its proposed substantial amendments of the HUD Program Year 2019 / City's FY 2020 Annual Action Plan on public display for review on the City's website beginning on November 10, 2020 and running through November 16, 2020:

- <http://www.columbusga.org/CommunityReinvestment/>

The information will be available for public review for 5 days. Public comment on the documents should be directed to the Community Reinvestment Department, 420 Tenth Street, Columbus, GA 31901 or kgarza@columbusga.org.

The Columbus City Council is expected to act on the proposed substantial amendments on March 23, 2020 at the regularly scheduled meeting at 5:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers. The Substantial Amendments to the City's prior approved Annual Action Plan is expected to be submitted to HUD for review and approval on or before November 17, 2020.

**Community Reinvestment Department
HUD Program Year FY2020/City FY2021 Annual Action Plan Summary**

Date:

December 8, 2020

Background

The Annual Action Plan is part of the Consolidated Planning process, in which the City of Columbus assesses its affordable housing and community development needs and market conditions, and makes data-driven, place-based investment decisions. The Consolidated Plan for the City of Columbus covers a span of 5-years, from 2017-2021, in which community development priorities and multiyear goals were set based on an assessment of housing and community development needs, an analysis of housing and economic market conditions and available resources.

As an entitlement community, the City of Columbus receives an annual share of Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Program funds. The goal and purpose of the Annual Action Plan is to articulate the funding decisions for projects and activities that are expected to be implemented and funded with CDBG, CDBG-CV3, and HOME funding for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Program Year 2020/City's FY 2021

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - \$1,667,676

CATEGORY	ORIGINAL	REVISED
Administration (Salaries, Office Supplies, Advertising, Travel, Appraisals, Printing, Cost Allocations, etc.)	\$333,586	<u>\$333,535</u>
Public Service Grants	\$250,190	<u>\$250,151</u>
Mercy Med – Healthcare Program - \$25,000		
Mercy Med – Addiction Counseling Program - \$17,500		
Homeless Resource Network – Homeless Program - \$12,500		
Direct Services Corporation – Meals on Wheels - \$16,000		
Enrichment Services – Job Training Program - \$12,500		
Parks and Recreation – Youth Programs - \$25,000		
Home for Good – CoC/Homeless Programs - \$80,000		
Mayor’s Summer Youth Job Program - \$54,137		
Fair Housing Activities - \$7,514		
Demolitions	\$101,000	\$101,000
Recreational Facilities	\$362,633	\$362,633
Parks/Recreation		

CATEGORY	ORIGINAL	REVISED
Property Acquisition/Disposition	\$170,521	<u>\$170,357</u>
Minor Home Repair Program (Habitat For Humanity)	\$150,000	\$150,000
Lead Based Paint Testing Program	\$20,000	\$20,000
Section 3 Training	\$30,000	\$30,000
Housing Authority (Infrastructure Improvements for Chase Homes Redevelopment)	\$250,000	\$250,000

Community Development Block Grant – Corona Virus (CDBG-CV) - \$1,143,059

CATEGORY	ORIGINAL	REVISED
Administration (Salaries, Office Supplies, Advertising, Travel, Appraisals, Printing, Cost Allocations, etc.)	TBD	N/A
Public Service Grants	TBD	N/A
Public Facilities	TBD	N/A
Economic Development	TBD	N/A

Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME) - \$1,428,797*¹

CATEGORY	ORIGINAL	REVISED
Administration (Salaries, Office Supplies, Advertising, Training, Appraisals, Printing, Cost Allocations, etc.)	\$185,646	\$185,646
Affordable Housing Development (Neighborworks: Single-family)	\$215,747	\$215,747
Affordable Housing Development (TBG Development: Multifamily)	\$625,000	<u>\$0</u>
Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) Reserve	\$152,633	<u>\$152,599</u>
Homebuyer Assistance (Down Payment Assistance, GAP Financing, etc.)	\$150,000	<u>\$300,000</u>
Affordable Housing Development (TBD)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$474,805</u>

¹ *HUD HOME allocation for FY2021 is \$1,017,325. For this upcoming year, \$411,472 of prior year resources will be allocated for HOME projects.

HOME Program Income - \$377,000

Wynnton Neighborhood Housing (Single-family)

\$377,000

Use of Program Income generated by Wynnton Neighborhood Housing