

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF BELLEVUE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

In accordance with 24 CFR 91.05(c)(2) and subpart B of the federal regulations relative to citizen participation for Community Planning and Development Programs and applicable waivers made available to those requirements through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), the City of Bellevue is making an amendment to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2019 Annual Action Plan and an amendment to the CDBG Citizen Participation Plan available for public comment through this notice.

2019 Annual Action Plan Amendment:

This is an amendment to the 2019 Annual Action Plan to allow the City of Bellevue to receive and administer \$489,623 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development made available through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). This funding, known as CDBG-CV, is to be used for eligible activities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus.

The City of Bellevue is proposing to allocate its CDBG-CV funds as follows:

Public Service Grants	
Homeless Services	\$489,623
Total CDBG-CV Allocations	\$489,623

This amendment also allocates \$506,934 in unspent FY 2019 and FY 2018 CDBG funds to eligible activities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus. The CARES Act eliminates the 15 percent cap on the amount of grant funds that can be used for public services activities. Therefore, the cap in 24 CFR 470.201(e) has no effect on FY 2019 and FY 2020 CDBG public service grants used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus.

The City of Bellevue is proposing to allocate its unspent prior year funds as follows:

Public Service Grants	
Childcare	\$150,000
Emergency Financial Assistance	\$206,934
Legal Assistance	\$150,000
Total Reallocated Funding	\$506,934

The amendment to the 2019 Annual Action Plan is available for review at the City of Bellevue's website at <u>https://bellevuewa.gov/city-government/departments/parks/community-services/human-services/community-development-block-grant</u>.

Citizen Participation Plan

The CARES Act provides that grantees may amend their Citizen Participation Plan to establish expedited procedures to amend Consolidated Plans and Annual Action Plans in order to respond more quickly to the coronavirus. These expedited procedures must include notice and reasonable opportunity for public comment of no less than five days. The City of Bellevue has determined that five days constitutes reasonable notice and opportunity for public comment on amendments to the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan to address the coronavirus.

The amendment to the Citizen Participation Plan is available for review on the City of Bellevue's website at https://bellevuewa.gov/city-government/departments/parks/community-government/departments/parks/community-services/human-services/community-development-block-grant.

Public Comment Period and Process:

The amendment to the 2019 Annual Action Plan and the amendment to the Citizen Participation Plan are available for a 5-day public review and comment period from **May 14**, **2020 to May 18, 2020**. Citizens wishing to submit written comments during the public review and comment period may email them to Denise Catalano, Grant Coordinator, no later than 5:00 pm on May 18, 2020 at <u>dcatalano@bellevuewa.gov</u>.