

## CITY OF RIVERSIDE NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE 2019-2020 HUD ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

City of Arts & Innovation

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the City of Riverside has prepared its draft amendment of the HUD Annual Action Plan for program years 2019-2020. The publication of this notice is the beginning of the public review period required under Federal Regulation 21 CFR 91.105 (b)(2). The public review and written comment period will begin December 6, 2020, and run through January 5, 2021.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN** that the Action Plan Amendment will be presented to the City Council for approval on the following date:

DATE:

January 5, 2021

TIME:

1 p.m.

LOCATION: Virtual Public Hearing

In person public comment will be available at 3900 Main Street,

Riverside, CA

Live Webcast can be viewed at www.engageriverside.com

Live feed with open captions for hearing impaired at:

https://riversideca.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?publish\_id=340

At this meeting, the City Council will receive public comment on the draft HUD Annual Action Plan 2019-2020 that is to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

## **BACKGROUND**

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) approved the City of Riverside's Five-Year Consolidated Plan (Plan) in 2015. The Plan provides an inventory of existing programs and activities, resources, demographics, unmet needs, and identifies strategies and resources such as Community Development Block Grant funds (CDBG), HOME, Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA), and Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG) needed to continue implementing existing programs and activities and to formulate programs and activities needed to address the unmet needs. Since the approval of the Plan, it is the Annual Action Plan that incrementally addresses and implements identified programs and activities prepared and submitted to HUD for approval. The Annual Action Plan prepared for 2019-2020 implements the strategy and goals identified in the Plan.

Federal Regulation 24 CFR 91.105 requires the City to notify and provide its citizens an opportunity to comment and provide input on proposed changes to an approved plan. This notice serves this purpose and allows the City to comply with the law. Under the Citizen Participation Plan any CDBG projects which have more than 10% of their original allocation remaining unused at completion must be presented to the public before the remaining funds can be unallocated for future use. The proposed amendment to this

Annual Action Plan will modify the allocations of the nine public service projects with more than 10% of their original allocations remaining so the projects can be closed and the remaining unused project balances totaling \$52,762 can be released to the Unprogrammed Funds account for future capital improvement or economic development projects. The proposed Substantial Amendment to the approved Plan affected by this Notice will allow the City to reduce the allocations of the following previously approved Public Service Projects: 1) Dress for Success Riverside - Professional Women's Group & Career Center Program; 2) Girl Scouts of San Gorgonio - Classroom to Career (C2C) Educational Enrichment Program; 3) Habitat for Humanity - A Brush With Kindness; 4) Rebirth Homes - Victim to Survivor Job Creation; 5) City of Riverside Parks, Recreation and Community Services (PRCS) - Senior Meals Social Programming; 6) PRCS - Youth Sports/Classes/Activities; 7) Smart Riverside; 8) Family Service Association - Mobile Fresh Grocery Store on Wheels Program, and 9) Feeding America - Kids Product Market, to the amounts that were used for expenses throughout the program year.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

A Draft of this document is available at <a href="https://riversideca.gov/cedd/community-">https://riversideca.gov/cedd/community-</a> development-block-grant-grants-funding or by email to mguzman@riversideca.gov to request copies. The public is invited to submit written comments on the proposed update to the HUD Annual Action Plan 2019-2020. All comments relative to the draft documents mentioned above should be submitted to the City Clerk prior to the close of the hearing on January 5, 2021. eComments may be submitted until two hours prior to the City Council meeting on January 5, 2021, at www.engageriverside.com. Mail written statements to City Clerk, City Hall, 3900 Main Street, Riverside, CA 92522, or by email to City\_Clerk@riversideca.gov. Call 951-826-8600 for public comment at 1 p.m. on January 5, 2021. Questions and written comments regarding the draft of the HUD Annual Action Plan 2019-2020 may be addressed to Michelle Guzman, Project Manager at 3900 Main Street, 5th Floor Riverside, California 92522. You may also call (951) 826-2438 or email mguzman@riversideca.gov with any questions concerning the above documents.

## ACCESSIBILITY TO MEETINGS AND DOCUMENTS

It is the objective of the City to comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 and the ADA Amendment Act of 2008, the Fair Housing Act, and the Architectural Barriers Act in all respects. If you require public documents in an accessible format, the City will make reasonable efforts to accommodate your request. If you require a disability-related accommodation to view or participate in a hearing or meeting, please contact the City Clerk's Office at least 48 hours prior to the meeting at (951) 826-5557.

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City Clerk of the City of Riverside

Dated and Published: December 6, 2020