



City of Arts & Innovation

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Riverside has prepared its draft update 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 Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has granted a waiver to the 30-day minimum public comment period in order to expedite the use of funds under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). The public comment period approved for CARES Act funding concerns is 5 days. The public review and written comment period will begin February 25, 2021 and run through March 1, 2021.

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

DATE: March 2, 2021

TIME: 1 p.m.

LOCATION: Virtual Public Hearing

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 to adopt the 2019/2020 Annual Action Plan for use of federal entitlement funding from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. The Consolidated Plan provides an inventory of existing programs and activities, resources, demographics, unmet needs, and identifies strategies and resources such as, the Community Development Block Grant funds (CDBG), HOME, Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), needed to implement programs and activities to address the unmet needs. With the approval of the Consolidated 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 strategies and goals identified in the Consolidated 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. The proposed Substantial Amendment to the approved Plan affected by this Notice proposes to

potentially make one of the following amendments: reduce the amount of funding currently awarded to the United Way of the Inland Valleys for the CARES Act (CDBG-CV) Microenterprise Business Grant Assistance Program by \$270,000, and to reprogram those funds to a new CARES Act (CDBG-CV) eligible project in support of Food Resiliency and distribution or, to Reprogram all of the unspent allocation, a total of approximately \$1 million, to the City's food resiliency program.

PUBLIC COMMENT

A Draft of this document is available at <https://riversideca.gov/cedd/community-development-block-grant-grants-funding> or email 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 of Riverside, Community & Economic Development Department prior to the close of the hearing on March 2, 2021. eComments may be submitted until 2 hours before the meeting on March 2, 2021, at www.engageriverside.com. Mail written statements to City Clerk, City Hall, 3900 Main Street, Riverside, CA 92522, or email City_Clerk@riversideca.gov. Call 951-826-8600 for public comment at 1 p.m. on March 2, 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

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Interim City Clerk of the City of Riverside

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