

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS**  
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT CORONAVIRUS (CDBG CV 3)**  
**AND EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT CORONAVIRUS (ESG CV2)**  
**SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT**

Fort Bend County has been allocated a second allocation of \$1,384,930 in ESG CV2 Program funds and an additional allocation of \$2,636,300 in CDBG CV3 Program funds through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136. Fort Bend County proposes to amend its approved FY 2019 Consolidated Annual Action Plan. The Consolidated Plan regulations at 24 CFR 91.505 state that a jurisdiction shall amend its approved plan whenever it makes one of the following decisions:

- (1) To make a change in its allocation priorities or a change in the method of distribution of funds;
- (2) To carry out an activity, using funds from any program covered by the consolidated plan (including program income), not previously described in the action plan; or
- (3) To change the purpose, scope, location, or beneficiaries of an activity.

In addition, Fort Bend County has identified in its citizen participation plan the criteria it uses for determining what constitutes substantial amendments that are subject to a citizen participation process, in accordance with the County's citizen participation plan. The definitions and/or criteria of what constitutes a substantial change for the purpose of amending the consolidated plan are as follows:

- (1) Purpose: The purpose is substantially changed if the overall purpose for which a project is funded changes. Changing a specific objective without changing the overall purpose of the project will not be considered a substantial change.
- (2) Scope: The scope is substantially changed if the original estimated cost of the project is increased by twenty percent or more.
- (3) Location: The location is substantially changed if the service area of a project changes from the original service area.
- (4) Beneficiaries: The beneficiaries are substantially changed if there is a change in type or the number is increased by twenty percent or more.

The purpose of CDBG CV3 Program is to provide funding for a range of eligible activities that prevent and respond to the spread of infectious diseases, such as the coronavirus. Fort Bend County will use the funds for rental assistance, utility assistance, case management, and CDBG CV3 Program administration. Fort Bend County will allocate funds as follows: Rent and Utility Assistance: \$2,109,040; Case Management and Program Administration: \$527,260. The CDBG CV3 Program funds may be used for mortgage assistance, also.

The purpose of ESG CV2 Program is to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus by providing temporary emergency shelters (through leasing of existing property, temporary structures, or other means) and additional support to individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance to mitigate the impacts created by coronavirus. Eligible homelessness activities include emergency shelter operations, especially sanitation supplies (bleach, wipes, scrubbers, mops, linens, towels, sanitizer, tissues), furnishings (cots, room dividers), equipment (washers, dryers, portable handwashing stations), transportation (train or bus tokens, taxi or rideshare for medical care); street outreach including sanitation supplies (sanitizer, soap, tissue, masks, other protective equipment), expanded shelter staffing to support infectious disease preparedness. In addition, ESG CV2 Program funds may be used for training, hazard pay, handwashing stations, portable bathrooms, landlord incentives, and volunteer incentives. Regular ESG activities such as emergency shelter operations and essential services, homelessness prevention, rapid rehousing, and HMIS are eligible. Fort Bend County will use the funds for Emergency Shelter Operations

and Essential Services, Rental Assistance and Stabilization Service: \$1,246,437; Program Administration: \$138,493.

The Fort Bend County FY 2019 Consolidated Annual Action Plan CDBG CV3 and ESG CV2 Amendment is available for public comment. The public is encouraged to submit written comments by Monday, November 9, 2020 to Marilyn Kindell, Community Development Director, 301 Jackson, Suite 602, Richmond, Texas 77469 or email comments to [communitydevelopment@fortbendcountytexas.gov](mailto:communitydevelopment@fortbendcountytexas.gov)

Comments will be incorporated into the FY 2019 Consolidated Annual Action Plan CDBG CV3 and ESG CV2 Amendment, as appropriate.

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