NOTICE OF PASSAIC COUNTY, NJ CDBG SECOND SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT FY 2019 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN ON PUBLIC DISPLAY AND VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON PUBLIC HEARING MARCH 29, 2022 CDBG CV-3

PASSAIC COUNTY, NJ

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with the Federal regulations at 24 CFR, Part 91 and the Passaic County Citizen Participation Plan, as amended, Passaic County has prepared a second substantial amendment to the Community Development Annual Action Plan for FY 2019 for funds received under the CARES Act, CDBG CV-3.

Passaic County will hold a virtual and in-person public hearing on Tuesday, March 29, 2022 at 12 noon. The virtual public hearing will be held on passaiccounty.webex.com, meeting link:nttps://passaiccounty.webex.com/passaiccounty/j.php?MTID=m4003aacfafdda61a0ad21fa987433
371 Meeting number (access code): 2336 839 7238 Meeting password: mGns5J Join by telephone: +1-408-418-9388 Access code: 233 683 97238. The in-person public hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 29, 2022 at 12 noon, 401 Grand Street, Paterson, NJ, room 417.

Anyone requiring special accommodations or who requires a presentation in a language other than English, please email deborahh@passaiccountynj.org

The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the use of the additional Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program funds that have been allocated through the CARES Act to address the needs of the community to prevent the spread of Covid-19 and mitigate economic impacts caused by COVID-19. Passaic County received an allocation of \$881,057. Funds will be used to fund 3 Public Services activities. Individuals from all 16 municipalities of the County of Passaic will be assisted.

Interested persons are encouraged to express their views on the documents at the public hearing or in writing to deborahh@passaiccountynj.org

Copies of the Second Substantial Amendment for FY 2019 are available for public inspection and review on the websites of the below organizations for a five-day period from March 23, 2022 to March 29, 2022. Interested persons are encouraged to express their views on the documents at the public hearing or in writing to deborahh@passaiccountynj.org. Persons requiring information in alternative formats should contact deborahh@passaiccountynj.org. All comments received on or by March 29, 2022 will be considered. La información será proporcionada en español a petición.

PASSAIC COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

 $\frac{https://www.passaiccountynj.org/departments/planning-economic-development/community-development-block-grant-program}{}$

AND

WEBSITES OF THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPALITIES:
BLOOMINGDALE, CLIFTON, HALEDON, HAWTHORNE, LITTLE FALLS, NORTH HALEDON, PASSAIC, PATERSON, POMPTON LAKES, PROSPECT PARK, RINGWOOD, TOTOWA, WANAQUE, WAYNE, WEST MILFORD, AND WOODLAND PARK

The Passaic County Board of County Commissioners is expected to take action on the amendment on April 12, 2022.

Publication date: March 23, 2022

PASSAIC COUNTY

SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT FOR CDBG FY 2019 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN UTILIZING CDBG CARES ACT FUNDS

CV3 - March 2022

RATIONALE FOR AMENDMENT

"The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act" (CARES) Act which was signed into law on March 27, 2020, provides funds through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and Housing Opportunities for Persons Living with HIV/AIDS (HOPWA) programs. The CARES Act provides for allocations of funds to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.

The County of Passaic has been notified by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that a special allocation of \$881,057 has been made to the County under the CARES Act, public law 116-136, through CDBG CV 3.

The County previously allocated these funds to provide wrap around services that will support the Department of Human Services program: Impact Passaic- Housing Security Initiative. This project will be cancelled. Other funds were utilized to provide services and rental assistance to households at risk of eviction.

The County proposes to utilize \$312,240 of CV 3 funds to fund three activities that serve residents of the 12 participating municipalities of the urban county. These activities include:

CASA's Neighborhood Assistance Program: \$111,768

• Oasis Meals Program: \$100,472

Northeast New Jersey Legal Services: \$100,000

PR-15 Summary of the citizen participation process

HUD granted several waivers to program procedures to expedite the use of these funds. These waivers included an ability to amend the Citizen Participation Plan and allow for a shorter timeframe for public display, use of the internet to make the Substantial Amendment available to the public and use of virtual meetings to allow for input and comment. Passaic County advertised the Substantial Amendment for CDBG-CV3 on March 23, 2022 and made the Substantial Amendment available to the public for a period from March 23, 2022 to March 29, 2022. A public hearing, both virtual and in-person, was scheduled for March 29, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

Comments received: TBD

AP-15 – Resources

The County received \$537,434 under CDBG CV 1 and an additional \$881,057 under CDBG CV3. The sum is reflected below. In addition, CDBG from FY 2020 was reallocated to a Covid-related activity with the CV1 allocation.

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1			Expected	Narrative	
	of		Annual	Program	Prior Year	Total:	Amount	Description
	Funds		Allocation:	Income:	Resources:	\$	Available	
			\$	\$	\$		Remainder	
							of ConPlan	
							\$	
CDBG-	HUD	Infrastructure,	1,418,491			1,418,491		CARES Act
CV		Services						funding
		Administration						for CDBG
CDBG	HUD	Public Services	100,000			100,000		

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

The funds are being allocated to address the need of vulnerable populations.

	Project Name	CASA		
	Target Area	12 Participating Municipalities in the		
		Urban County		
	Goals Supported	Public Services		
	Needs Addressed	Public Services		
	Funding	\$111,768		
	Description	Neighborhood Assistance Program:		
		Provide essential support to children, their		
		families and caregivers who are involved		
		with the Division of Child Protection and		
		Permanency across the County. Provides formula, diapers, clothing, school supplies,		
		face masks, hand sanitizers, and toiletries.		
		The program's Open Door Store is open		
		Monday through Friday during office		
		hours; two evenings and on weekends.		
		The program includes bilingual staff and		
		offers specialized case management		
		services providing information and access		
		to economic, educational, and medical		
		resources that address the effects of		
		COVID-19. Bags of food and supplies are picked up by families at curbside.		
	Target Date	6/30/2023		
	Estimate the number and type of families	Public service activities other than		
	that will benefit from the proposed	Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit:		
	activities	100 persons		
	Location Description	415 Hamburg Turnpike, D-2, Wayne, NJ		
		07470		
	Planned Activities	Public Services		

2	Project Name	Oasis Meals Program	
	Target Area	12 Participating Municipalities in the	
		Urban County	
	Goals Supported	Public Services	
	Needs Addressed	Public Services	
	Funding	\$100,472	
	Description	Oasis's Meals Program mitigates the impact of the pandemic and resulting food insecurity by providing hot and healthy breakfast and lunch five days a week. The program serves breakfast at 8:15 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and lunch from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. every weekday to impoverished women and children. Children participating in after-school programs are also served a hot and nutritious meal. The program offers large food bags full of nonperishable foods every other week (and more for those in dire need) to women and children.	
	Target Date	6/30/2023	
	Estimate the number and type of families	Public service activities other than	
	that will benefit from the proposed	Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit:	
	activities	100 persons	
	Location Description	59 Mill St., Paterson, NJ 07501	
	Planned Activities	Public Services	

Project Name	Northeast New Jersey Legal Services
Target Area	12 Participating Municipalities in the
	Urban County
Goals Supported	Public Services
Needs Addressed	Public Services
Funding	\$100,000
Description	The program's goal is to preserve and protect affordable housing by providing free legal representation to low-to-moderate income tenants and their families who are facing eviction, mortgage foreclosure, illegal lockout, housing discrimination, habitability concerns, disputes with public housing agencies, utility shutoffs, displacement, and the elimination of housing benefits. Legal assistance helps to ensure that all residents can maintain housing that is safe and affordable, enabling them and their families to remain in their homes and in their communities.
Target Date	6/30/2023
Estimate the number and type of families	Public service activities other than
that will benefit from the proposed	Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit:
activities	30 persons
Location Description	100 Hamilton Plaza, Suite 200, Paterson, NJ 07505
Planned Activities	Public Services

4	Project Name	CV3 - Impact Passaic- Housing Security		
		Initiative-Project Cancelled		
	Target Area	12 Participating Municipalities in the Urban		
		County		
	Goals Supported	Services		
	Needs Addressed	Services		
	Funding	\$831,057-\$0		
	Description	Funding that will support the Department of		
		Human Services program: Impact Passaic-		
		Housing Security Initiative.		
		Proposed activities include: legal services to		
		ensure that residents are not evicted;		
		payment of utilities; and case management		
		(identification of additional services		
		required by at risk residents/families). Total		
		Funding: \$881,057; Program Costs:		
		\$831,057; Administration costs: \$50,000.		
	Target Date	TBD		
	Estimate the number and type of	N/A		
	families that will benefit from the			
	proposed activities			
	Location Description	12 Municipalities in the Urban County		
	Planned Activities	Public Services		