

PUBLIC NOTICE
Hearing and Review Period
for
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development CARES Act Funding
and
Citizen Participation Plan Amendment

A Public Hearing will be held via the City of Columbus' Department of Neighborhoods Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/CbusNeighbor/>) at the following date and time:

September 29, 2020, 5:30 PM

The recorded meeting will be posted after that date and time on the City of Columbus Department of Finance and Management Grants Management webpage:

<https://www.columbus.gov/finance/financial-management-group/Grants-Management/>

The meeting will explain changes to the City's Citizen Participation Plan as well as provide an overview of the City's planning process for use of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) allocations of Grant funds from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

The public will be given the opportunity to provide testimony, feedback during a five day comment period immediately following this Public Hearing.

Background

On March 27, 2020, The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, was signed by President Trump. The CARES Act makes available supplemental Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV), Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids (HOPWA-CV) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19. HUD has also provided flexibilities for CDBG, ESG, HOPWA and HOME (HOME Investment Partnerships Program) grantees to expedite the use of grant funds to help address the challenges facing our community due to the pandemic.

The following allocations have been awarded to the City of Columbus:

ESG-CV

Round 1: \$2,150,555

Round 2: \$8,102,095

HOPWA-CV (Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids)

Round 1: \$205,425

CDBG-CV (Community Development Block Grant)

Round 1: \$4,388,525

To Make Comments

The City will receive written comments until 5:00 p.m. local time on Monday, October 5, 2020. Comments regarding the funding may be mailed to Department of Finance and Management Attn: Lucie McMahon, 90 W. Broad Street, 4th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215 Alternatively, comments may also be emailed to Lucie McMahon, LMMcMahon@columbus.gov.

Other Information

The City of Columbus and Franklin County encourage participation by all residents and will make every attempt to accommodate persons with disabilities and individuals that do not speak English. To request an accommodation, please contact Lucie McMahon at 614-645-7492 or LMMcMahon@columbus.gov prior to the Hearing.