# DRAFT THE FY 2020-2021 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN TO ADD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT – CORONAVIRUS (CDBG-CV) FUNDS

The CARES Act made available $5 billion in Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funds. Of this amount, the Department immediately allocated $2 billion on March 27, 2020, the same day President Trump signed the Act, based on the fiscal year 2020 CDBG formula; this constituted the first round of CDBG-CV funds. Next, $1 billion was required by the Act to be allocated to States and insular areas within 45 days of enactment of the Act; HUD accomplished this on May 11, 2020, and this constituted the second round of CDBG-CV funds. Finally, the remaining $2 billion in CDBG-CV funds was required by the Act to be allocated to

states and local governments at the discretion of the Secretary on a rolling basis; HUD accomplished this on September 11, 2020, and this constituted the third round of CDBG-CV funds.

The City of Pompano Beach will receive $842, in Community Development Block Grant – Coronavirus (CDBG–CV) funding. The FY 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan is required, and usually a ten (10) day public comment period is required however, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has waived this requirement provided that no less than five (5) days are provided for public comments on each substantial amendment.

The CDBG-CV funds allocated under the CARES Act may be used for a range of eligible activities that prevent and respond the spread of infectious diseases such as the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID- 19). The proposed activities must meet the three National Objectives as required by CDBG regulations:

* + Benefit low-and-moderate income persons.
  + Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight, and
  + Meet an urgent need.

City staff is recommending to allocate the funds as follows:

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| CDBG–CV | Allocation |
| CDBG-CV 3rd ROUND | $842,961 |
| Administration |  |
| Administration (20%) | $168,592 |
| Economic Development |  |
| Emergency Small Business Grant | $300,000 |
| Public Service Grants |  |
| Rental Assistance | $374,369 |
| ***Total CDBG-CV 3RD Round Allocations*** | ***$842,961*** |

In addition, and for the purpose of an expedited use of the CDBG-CV funding, the bill eliminates the cap on the amount of funds a grantee can spend on public services, removes the requirement to hold in-person public hearings in order to comply with national and local social gathering requirements, and allows grantees to be reimbursed for COVID-19 response activities regardless of the date the costs were incurred.

# Public Review

Pursuant to HUD regulations, the City’s Citizen Participation Plan and current HUD waivers for grant programs and consolidated plan requirements to prevent the spread of COVID19, staff published a 5- day comment period and public hearing. Public comments and Commissioner’s allocation recommendations will be included in the FY 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan.

Any person(s) wishing to comment on the FY 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan funding may do so during the five (5) day comment period beginning November 21, 2020. Comments must be submitted in writing and received by November 26, 2020. Written comments should be submitted to the address below.



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